Double Queens Gambit
100 Reference Games

Chess Notes 2025

1 **D06**
□ **TheUnrestrictedGod** **3331**
■ **DaBestFARMER** **2693**
Blitz 04.09.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D26: Queen's Gambit Accepted: 4 e3 e6 5 Bxc5 c5 sidelines **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Qxd5N
[3...Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4.e3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qd8

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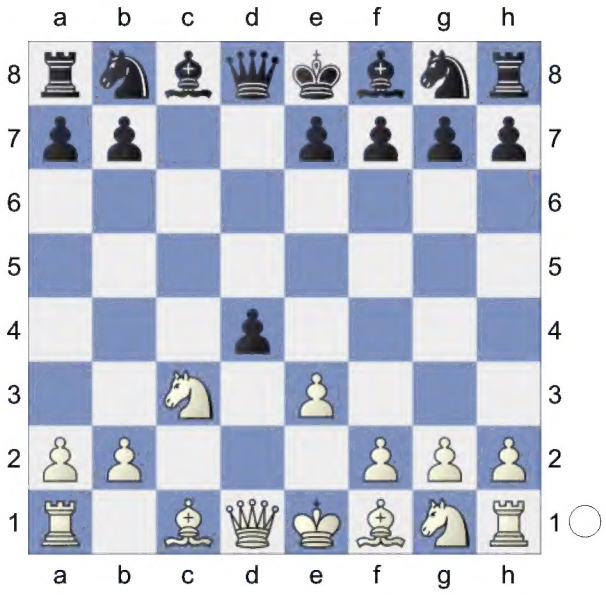
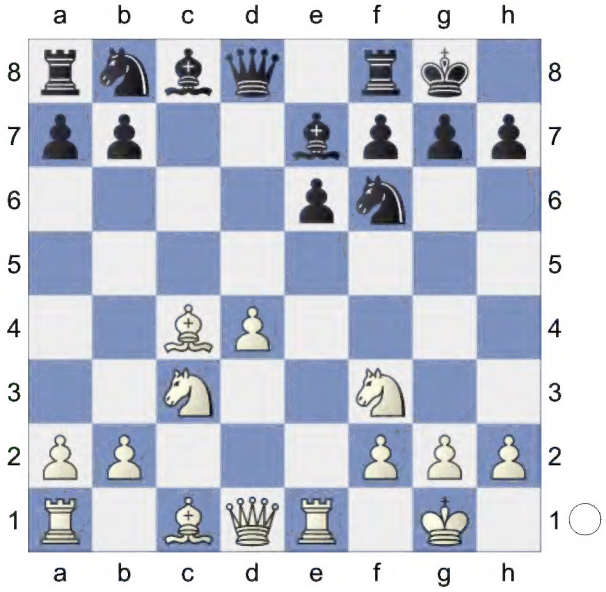


6.exd4 e6 7.Nf3 Nf6 8.Bc4 Bb4 9.0-0 0-0 10.Re1 Be7



White is slightly better. **11.a3 Bd7 12.Qe2 Re8 13.Bf4 Bf8** 0.98/19
[13...Bc6!± 0.59/18]
14.Ne5± Qe7 15.Qf3 And now Bg5 would win. &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed.
15...Rd8? 3.37/21
[15...Nc6± 1.17/21]

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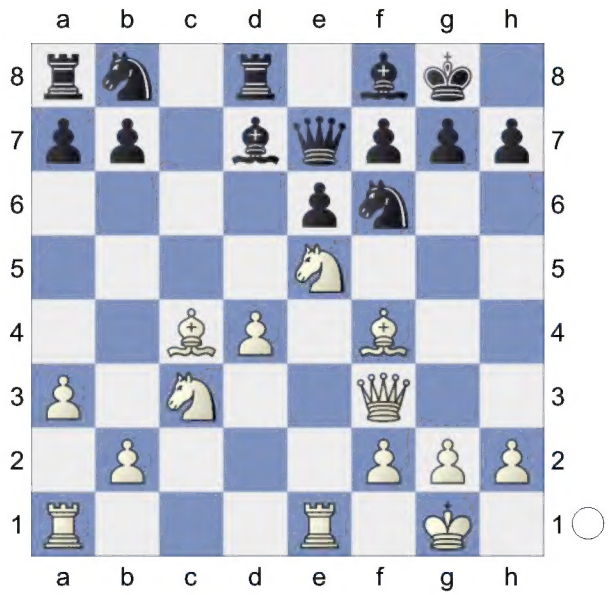
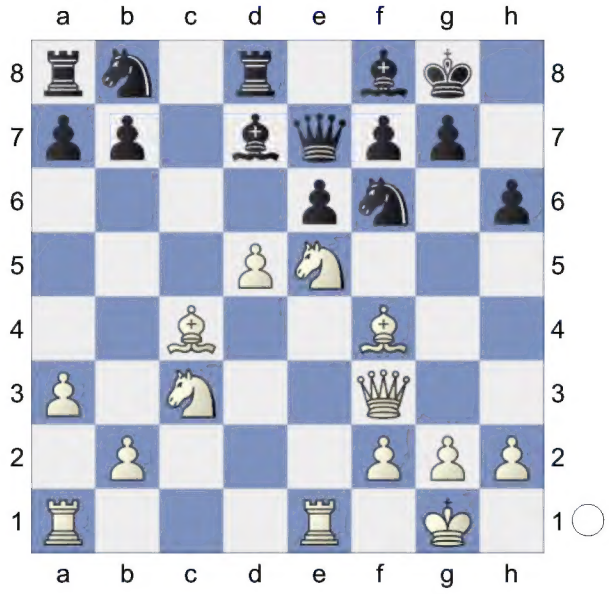


16.d5+-

[Less strong is 16.Qxb7 Bc6 17.Qxe7 *(17.Nxc6? Qxb7 18.Nxd8 Qc8-+)* 17...Bxe7±]

16...h6? 6.39/22

[16...Nc6 3.40/20 17.dxc6 Bxc6]



17.Nxf7! Na6

[17...Qc5 18.Nxd8]

18.Nxd8 Qxd8 19.dxe6 Kh7 20.exd7 Nc5

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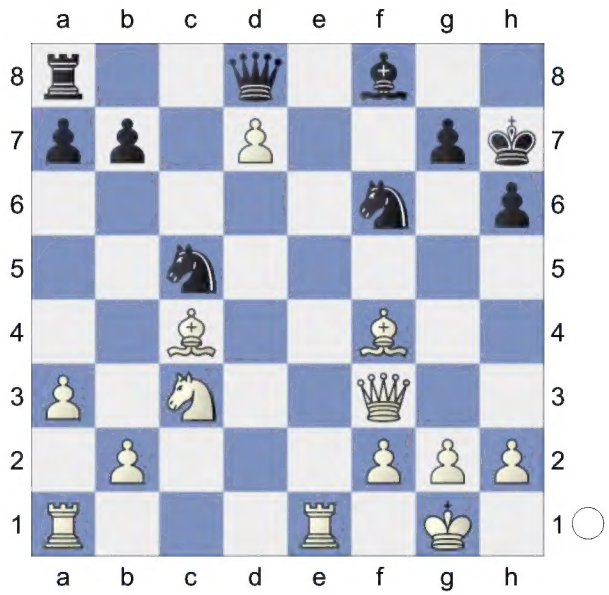
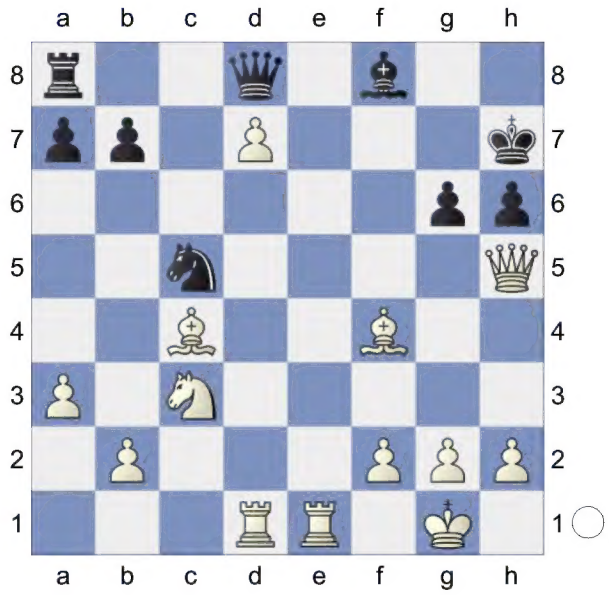


21.Rad1 Nh5 22.Qxh5 Threatening mate with Qf5+. **22...g6**



Prevents Qf5. **23.Bg8+! Kh8**

[23...Kxg8 24.Qxg6+]

24.Qxg6 White mates. **24...Qxd7 25.Be5+ Qg7**

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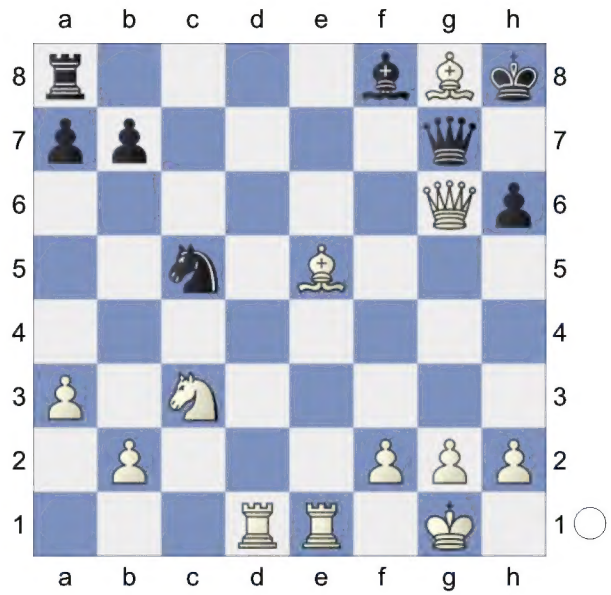
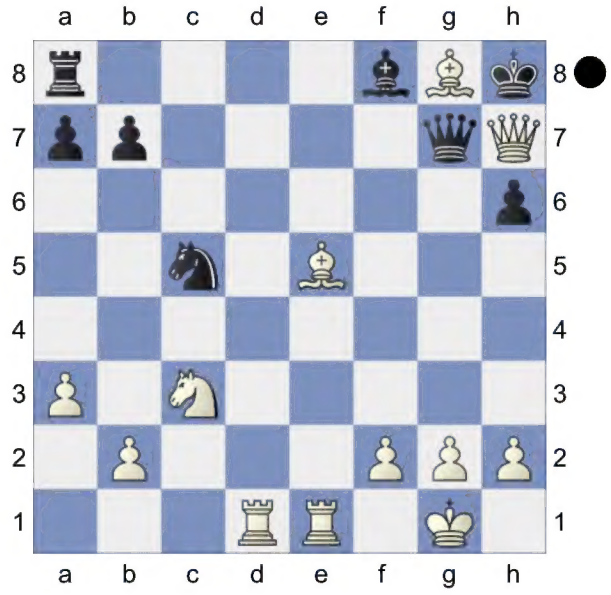


26.Qh7#

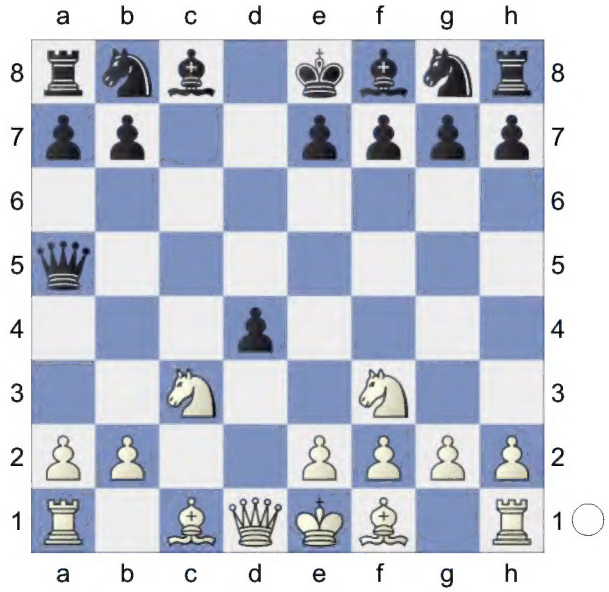


Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) / Black=1.21

1-0

2 **D06**
□ **yobot_v2** **3041**
■ **motorrijder** **2978**
Rapid 02.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 6min+3sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**



6.Nxd4 Nf6 Prevents e4. **7.Nb3**
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
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8...e5 9.e4N
[9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 Brandics,J (2550)-N,N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 37.hxg5 Kc8 38.Ke4 Rf7 Nimzowitsch,A (2550)-Giersing,J Copenhagen 1924 [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] 1-0 (68) 39.R3b2 Kc7 40.Rh2 Ree7 41.Rd1 Re8 42.Rhd2 Rg7 43.Nb3 Ba3 44.Rd5 Rf7 45.Nd4 Kc8 46.Nc2 Bf8 47.R1d4 Bc5 48.Rc4 Ref8 49.Kf3 Rd7 50.Rxd7 Kxd7 51.Nb4 a5 52.Ke4 axb4 53.cxb4 Bg1 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
9...Qxd1+ 10.Rxd1 Nc6

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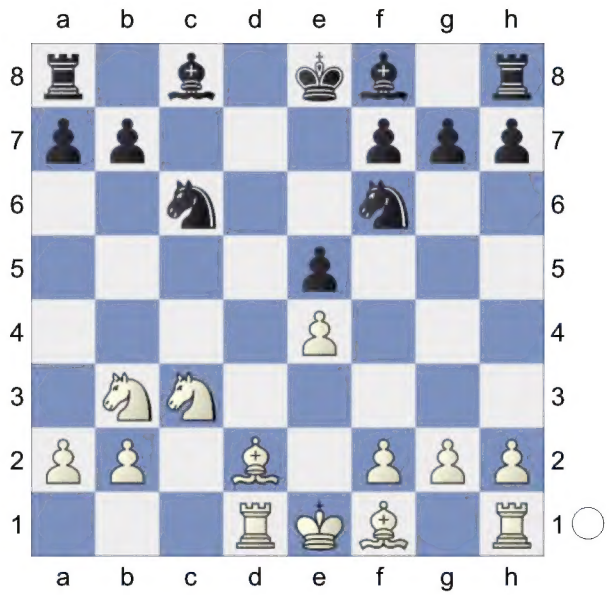
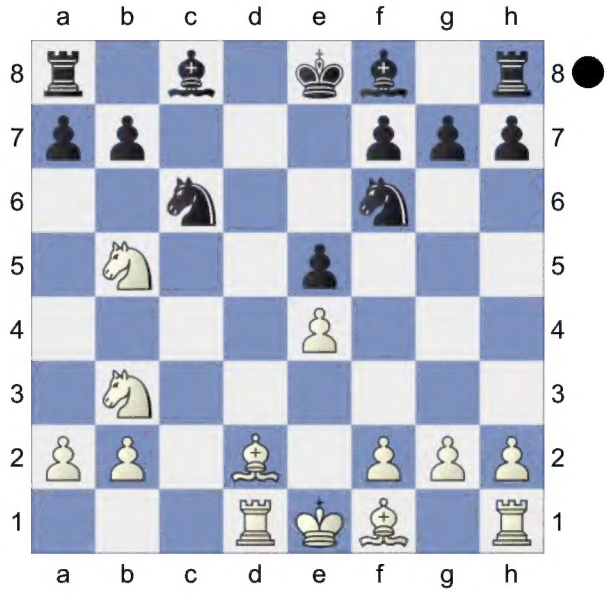


11.Nb5



Hoping for Nc7+. **11...Rb8 12.f3 Bb4** 1.01/21
[12...Bd7± 0.63/18 might be stronger.]
13.Nc7+± Ke7

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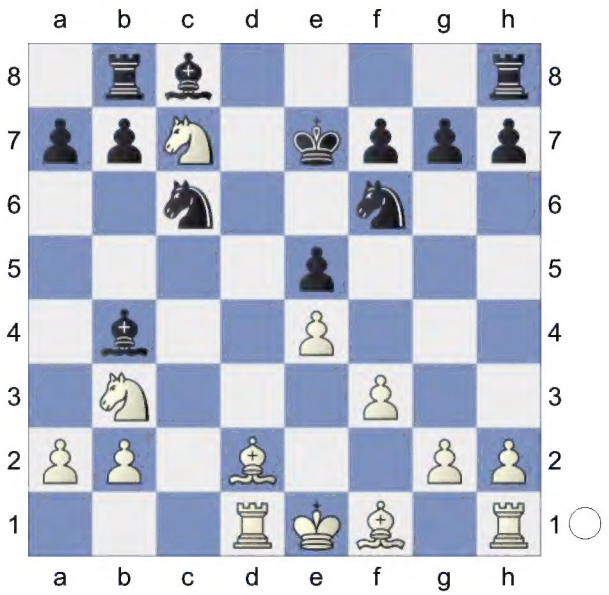
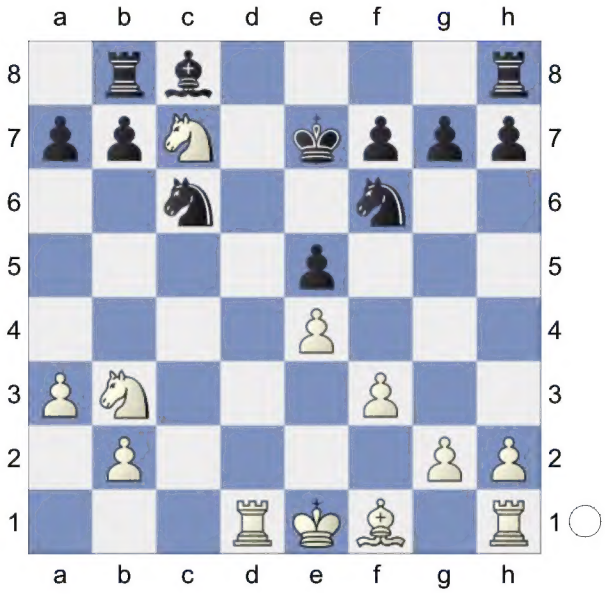


14.Bxb4+ 0.49/5
[14.Nd5+!± 0.98/21 Nxd5 15.exd5 Bxd2+ 16.Rxd2]
14...Nxb4± 15.a3! Nc6



16.Nd5+ Nxd5 17.exd5 Nd4 18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Rxd4 Kd6 20.Kf2 &Bianco is more active. **20...Bd7**

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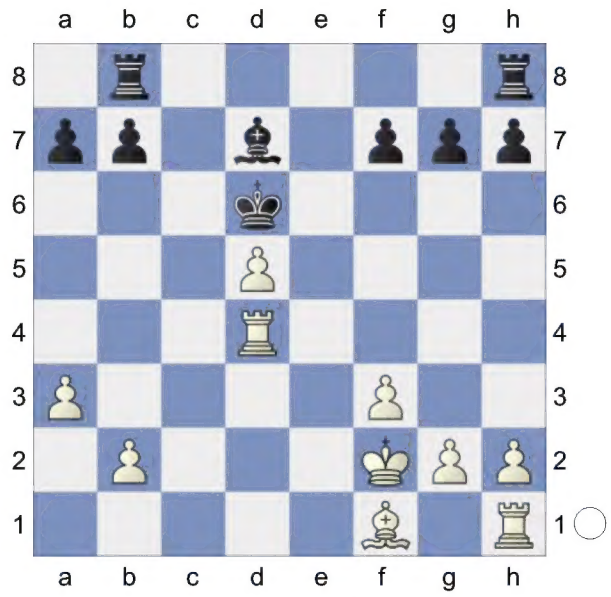
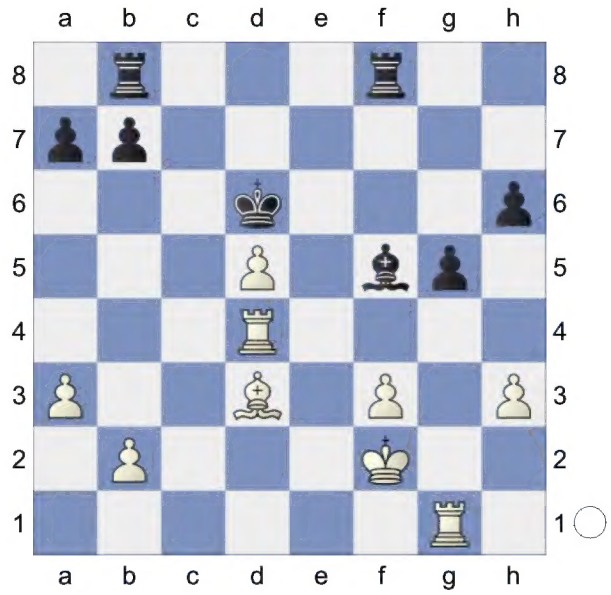


21.Bd3 f5 22.h3 Rhf8 23.g4 g5 24.Rg1 h6 25.gxf5 Bxf5



26.h4 Bxd3! 27.Rxd3= Endgame KRR-KRR **27...Rf5 28.hxg5 hxg5 29.Kg3 b5 30.Rh1** Strongly threatening Rh6+. **30...Rxd5**

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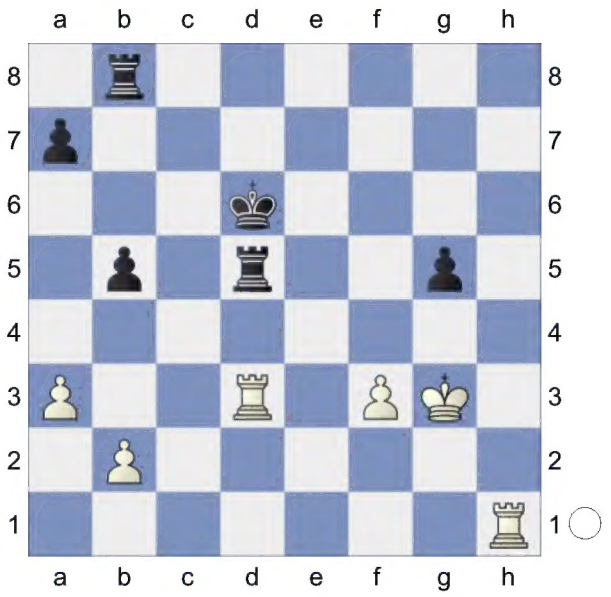
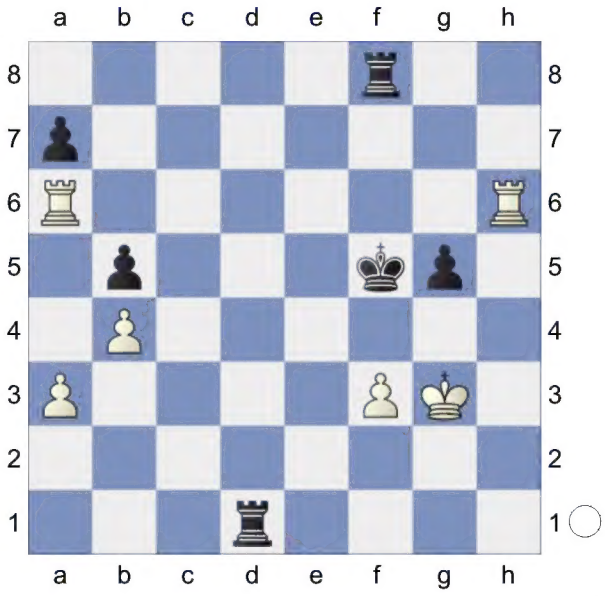


31.Rh6+ Ke5 32.Re3+ Kf5 33.Ree6 Rf8 Against Rhf6+ **34.Ra6 Rd3 35.b4 Rd1**



36.Rxa7 Rg1+ 37.Kf2 Rb1 38.Rhh7 0.01/22

[38.Rd7± 0.46/21 is superior.]

38...Kf4! 39.Rhf7+ Rxf7 40.Rxf7+ KR-KR **40...Ke5**

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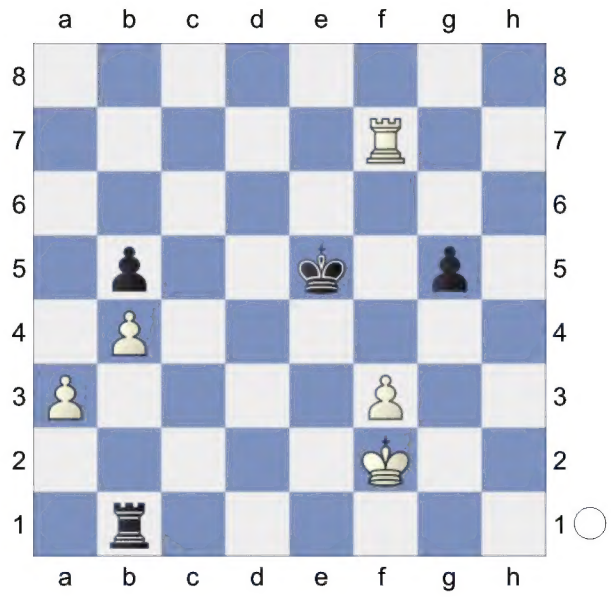
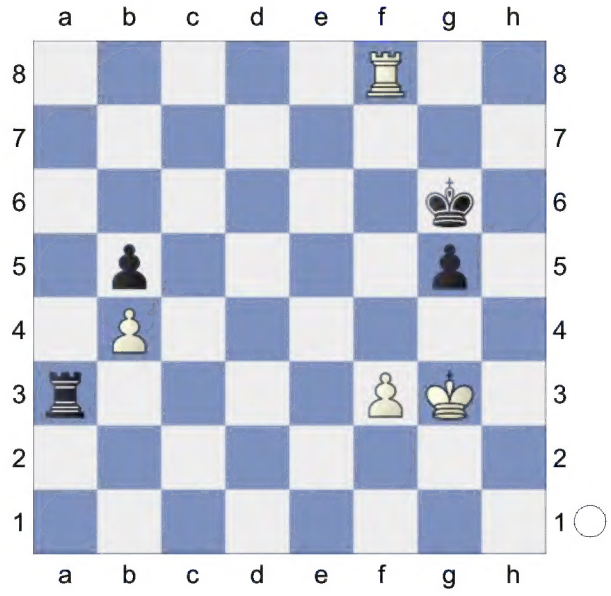


41.Re7+ Kf4 42.Re4+ Kf5 43.Re8 Ra1 44.Kg3 Rxa3 0.33/27

[44...Rg1+= 0.01/27 45.Kf2 Ra1]

45.Rf8+ Kg6



46.Rg8+ Kh5 47.Rb8 Rb3 48.Rxb5 Ra3 49.Ra5 Rb3 50.b5 g4

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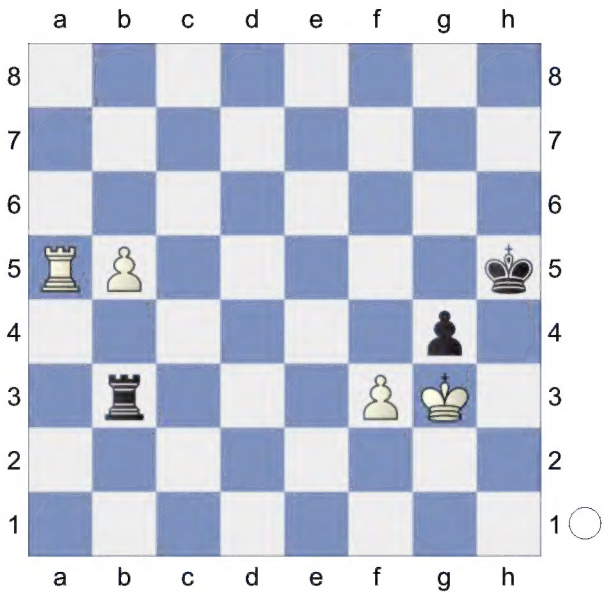
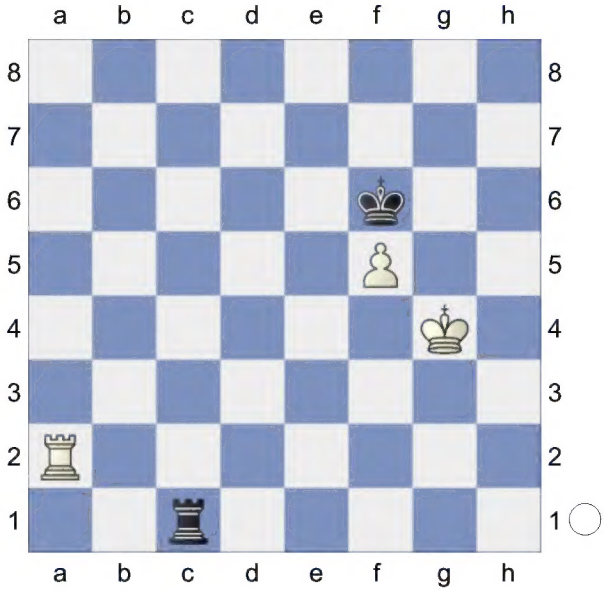


51.b6+ Kg6 52.Kxg4 Rxb6 53.f4 Rb1 54.f5+ Kf6 The position is equal.

55.Ra2 Rc1



56.Rb2 Ra1 57.Rc2 Rb1 58.Ra2 Rc1 59.Rb2 Ra1 60.Rc2 Rb1

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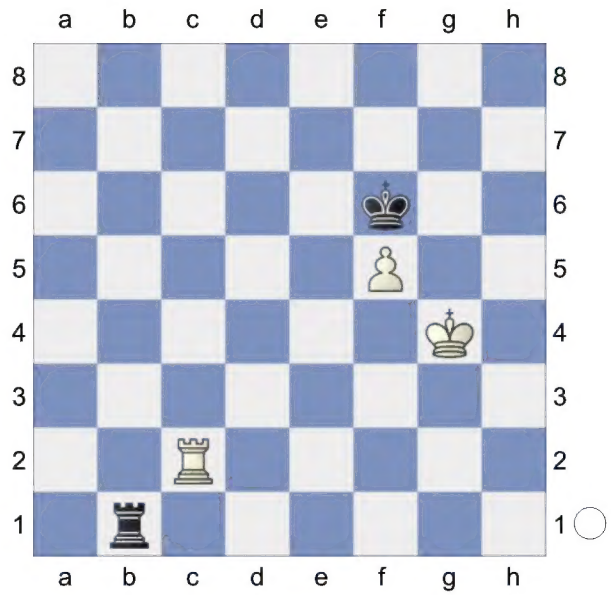
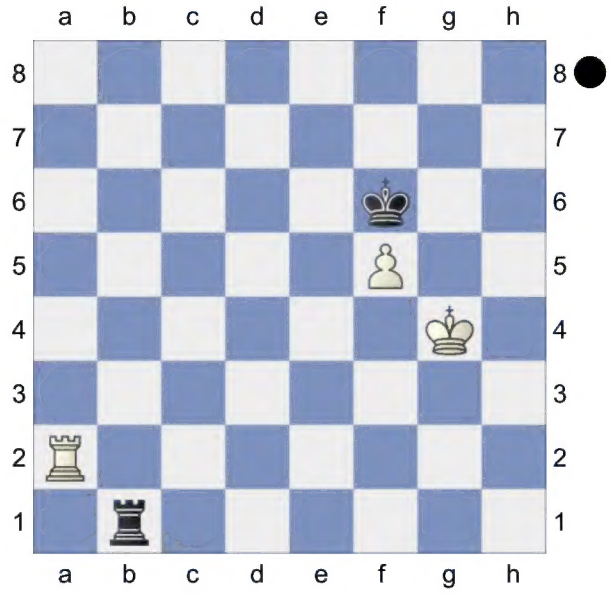


61.Ra2



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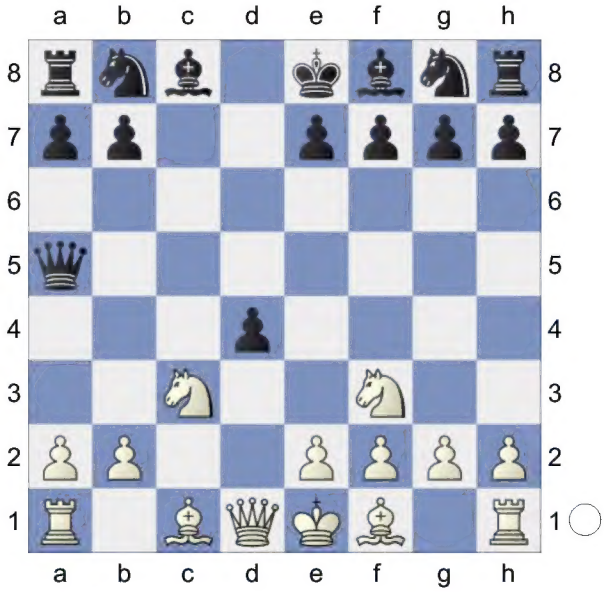
3 **D06**
□ **Konevlad** **3035**
■ **Azerichessss** **2829**
Blitz 06.03.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**



6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.a3N
[7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-N, N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
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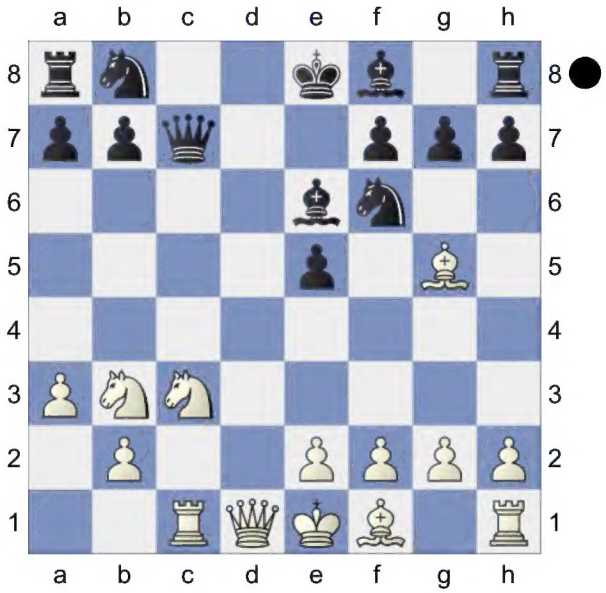
7...e5 Inhibits Bf4. **8.Nb3** White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Rc1**



Strongly threatening Nd5! **10...Nc6**

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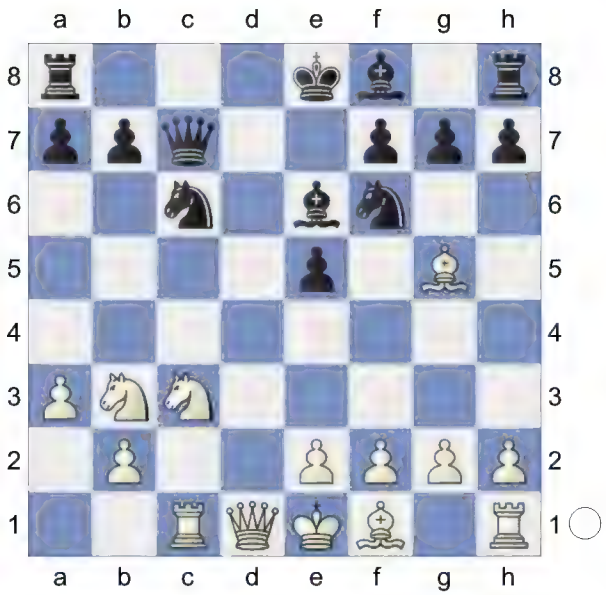


11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.e4 White wants to play Ba6! **13...Bh6** 0.94/19

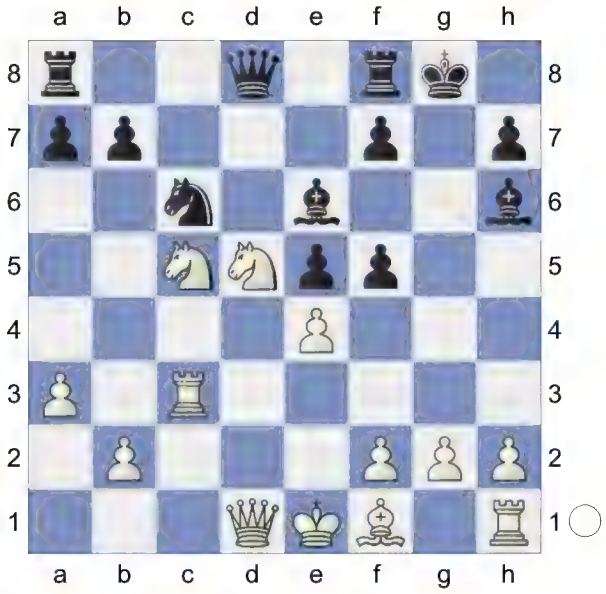
[13...f5!= 0.21/19]

14.Rc3↑ White is really pushing. **14...f5** 2.24/20

[14...0-0± 0.90/19]

15.Nc5+- Pair of Knights! **15...0-0** 3.85/22

[15...Bc8 2.37/19 was worth a try. 16.Bb5 Rg8 17.Nxb7 Bxb7]



16.Nxb7? 1.35/19

[16.Qh5+- 3.85/22 is the precise move to win. Bg7 17.Nxb7 *(17.Rh3 h6±)*]

16...Qh4± **17.Nc5** 0.71/20 Active counter play!

[⌓17.Be2 1.34/20 Bxd5 18.Qxd5]

17...Nd4? 4.99/21

[17...fxe4? 18.g3 Qd8 19.Nxe6 fxe6 20.Rxc6+-]

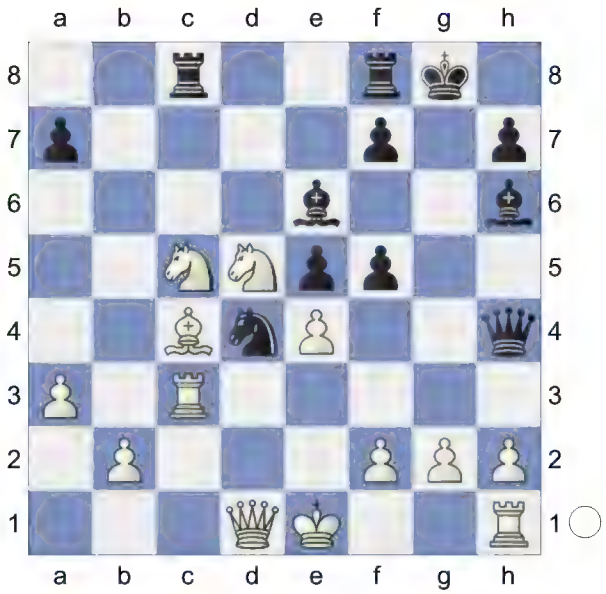
[17...Bxd5± 0.71/20 is a better chance. 18.exd5 Nd4]

18.Bc4? 0.38/21

[Only move: 18.Rh3+- 4.99/21 Qd8 19.Qh5 *(19.Rxh6 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qa5+ 21.b4 Qxa3+-)* 19...Nc2+ 20.Kd1 fxe4 21.Rg3+ Bg5 22.Qxg5+ Qxg5 23.Rxg5+ Kh8 24.Kxc2 Bxd5 25.Rxe5]

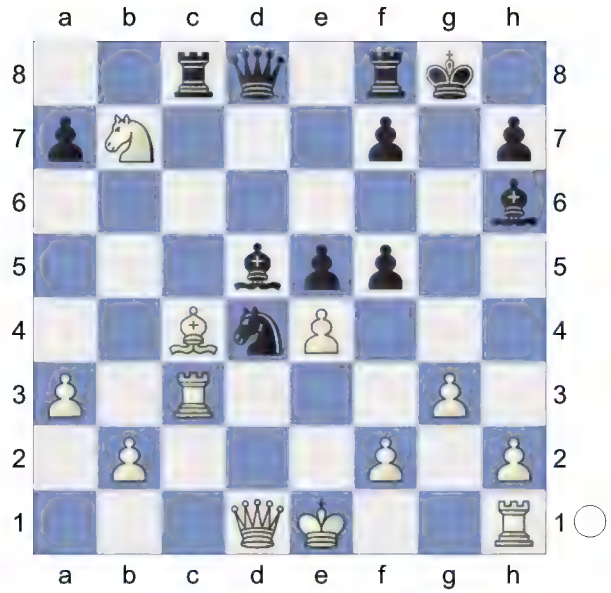
18...Rac8 1.74/22

[18...fxe4± 0.38/21 19.0-0 Nf3+ 20.gxf3 Bxd5 21.Nxe4 *(21.Bxd5 Bf4∓; 21.Qxd5 Bf4∓)* 21...Bxc4 22.Rxc4 Bf4]



19.g3! Qd8 20.Nb7 Bxd5

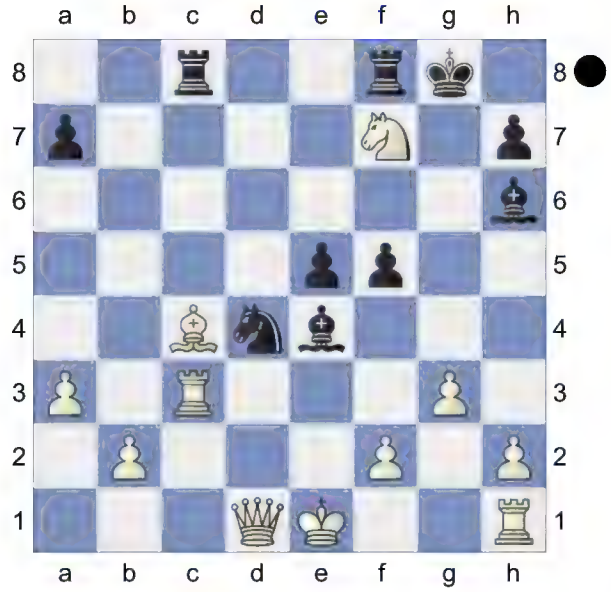
[20...Qg5? 21.h4 Qg7 22.Ne7+ Kh8 23.Nxc8 Bxc8 24.Nd6+-]



21.Nxd8 Bxe4 12.71/21

[21...Bxc4 1.78/22 22.Nb7 Be2]

22.Nxf7



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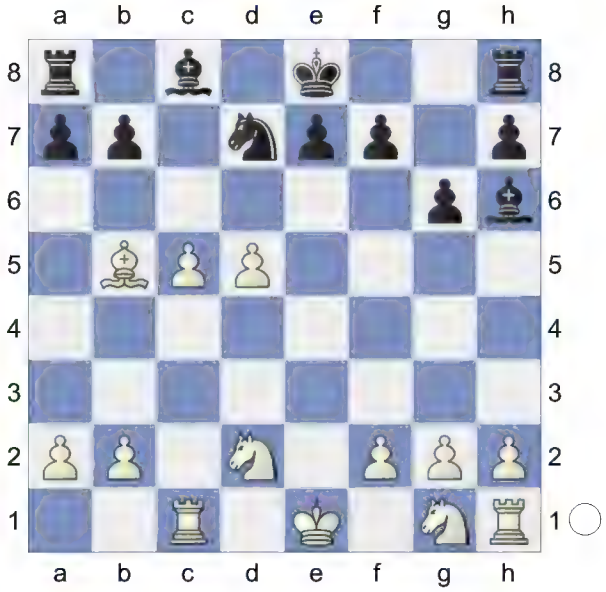
4 **D06**
□ **yobot_v2** **3034**
■ **motorrijder** **2988**
Blitz 02.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.e4N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+

(Diagram)

6.Bd2 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 8.Nxd2 White is better. **8...g6 9.Rc1 Bh6 10.Bb5+ Nd7**



11.c6! bxc6 12.dxc6 Nb6 13.Ngf3 0-0 14.0-0 a6 15.Be2 Be6

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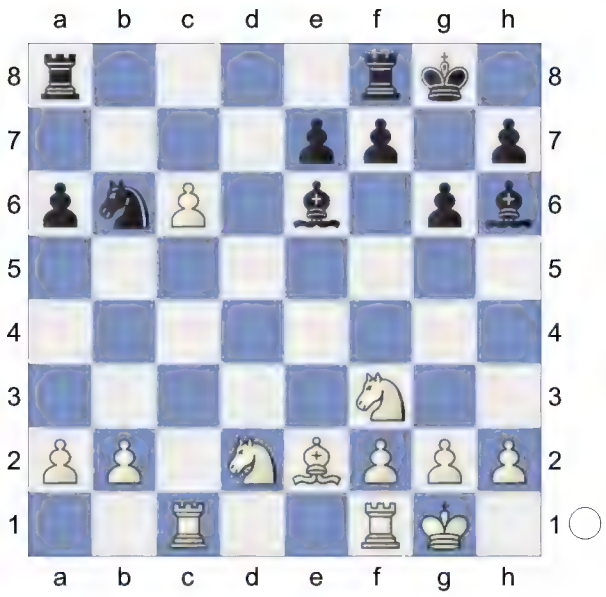

16.Rc2 Rfc8 1.01/20
[16...Bf5± 0.69/20 17.Rc5 Na4]
17.Nd4± Bd5 18.Nc4 Bxc4 19.Bxc4 Bg7 20.Nb3
[20.Rd1 Rd8 21.Bxa6 Rxd4∓]
20...Nxc4

21.Rxc4 Bxb2 22.Na5 Be5 23.Nb7 a5 24.Re1 Bd6 25.Rd1 Bc7

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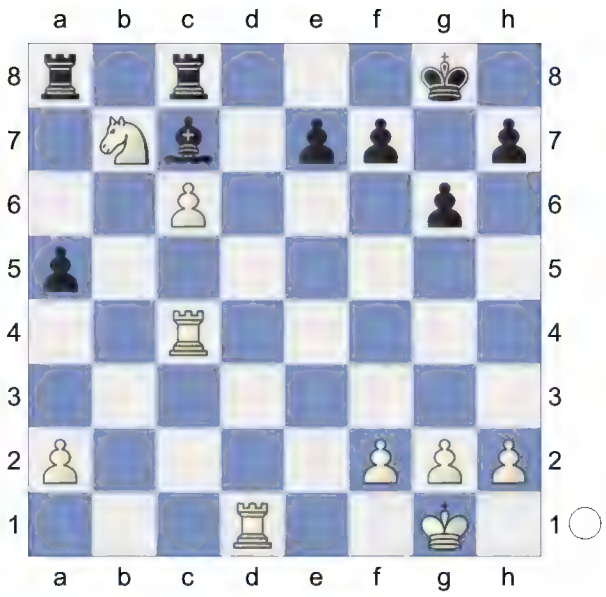
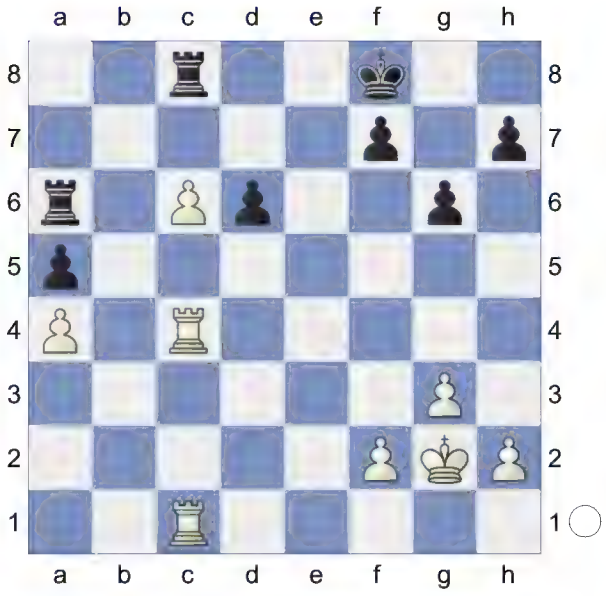


26.a4 Ra6 27.g3 Bb8 28.Rdc1 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. **28...Bd6 29.Nxd6 exd6** Endgame KRR-KRR **30.Kg2 Kf8**



31.Kf3! d5 32.Rc5 Strongly threatening Kf4. **32...Ke7 33.c7 Kd6 34.Kf4 Rb6 35.Rxa5 Rb4+**

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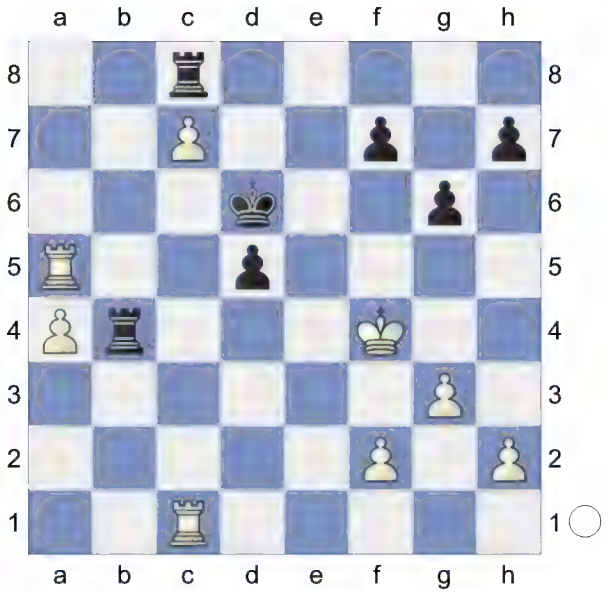
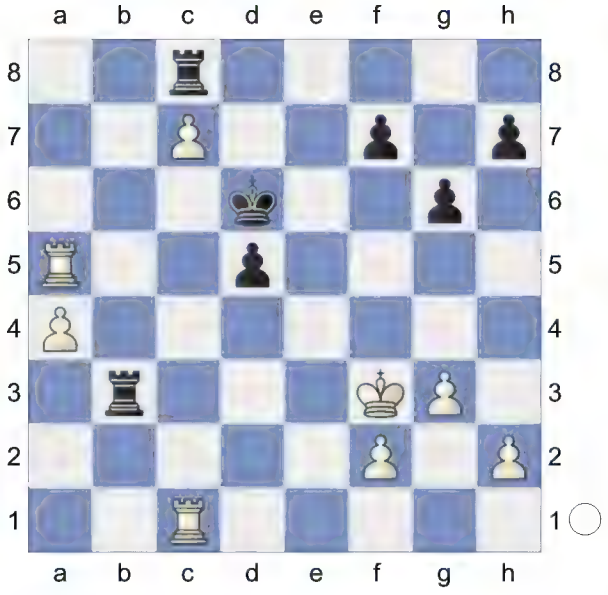


36.Ke3! Rb3+! 37.Kd2 Rb2+ 38.Ke3 -0.01/22

[Better is 38.Ke1!± 0.66/24]

38...Rb3+!= 39.Ke2 Rb2+ 40.Kf3 Rb3+



41.Ke2 -0.01/20

[41.Kg2!± 0.94/21]

41...Rb2+! 42.Kf1 -0.01/21

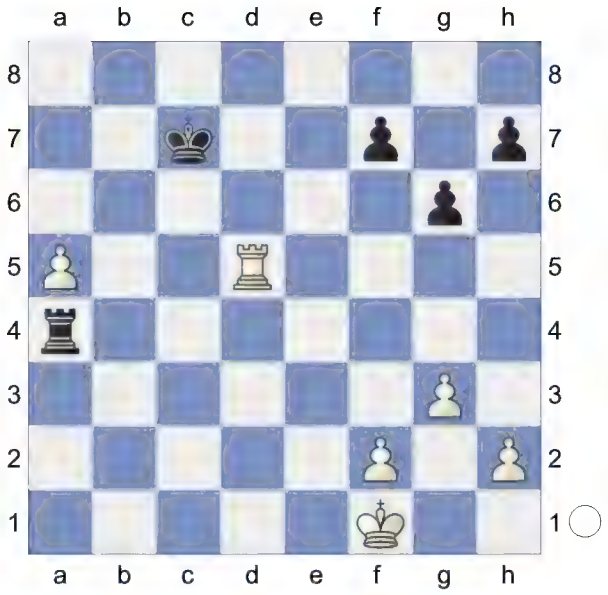
[42.Ke1± 0.80/23]

42...Rxc7 0.79/24

[42...Rb7!= -0.01/21]

43.Rxc7± Kxc7 44.Rxd5= KR-KR

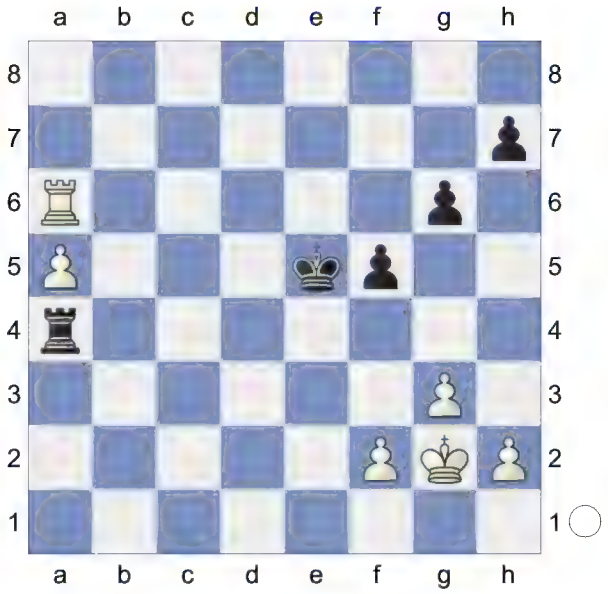
44...Rb4 45.a5 Ra4



46.Rc5+ Kd6 47.Rb5 f5 48.Kg2 Kc6 49.Rb6+ Kd5 1.01/24

[49...Kc7± 0.68/23]

50.Ra6!± Ke5



51.h4 f4 52.g4! Ra2 53.Ra8! h5 54.gxh5 0.49/23

[54.a6± 1.40/29 Kf6 55.a7]

54...gxh5± 55.Kf3? 0.01/31

[55.a6!± 1.56/29 And now a7 would win. Kf6 56.a7]

55...Ra3+=

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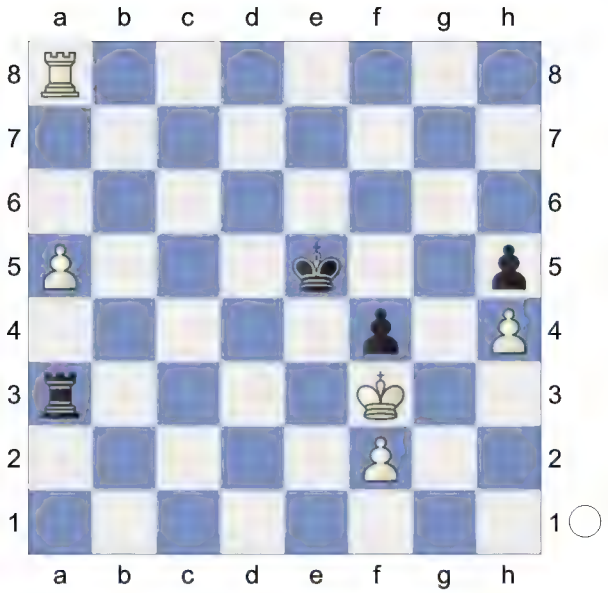
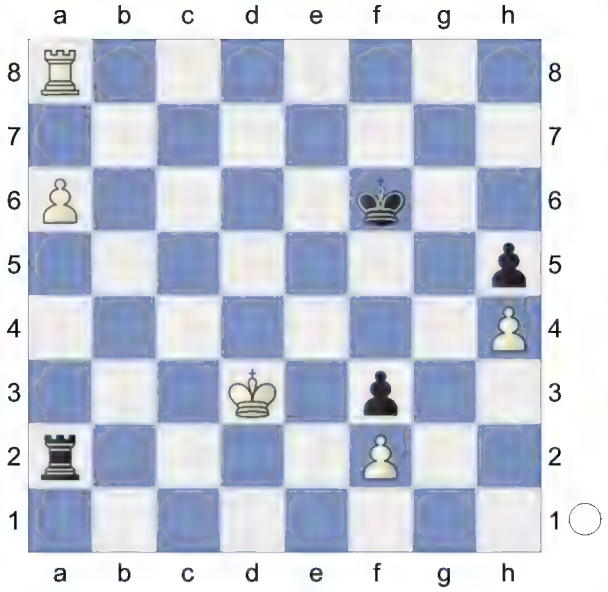


56.Kg2 aiming for a6. **56...Ra2 57.a6! Kf6 58.Kf3! Ra4 59.Ke2**
[Not 59.a7 Kg7 60.Ke2 Ra2+ 61.Kd3 f3+-]
59...Ra2+ 60.Kd3 f3



61.a7 Rf8+ would kill now. **61...Kg7** Prevents Rf8. **62.Ke3 Ra3+ 63.Kf4! Kh7 64.Ke5** 0.49/33
[64.Rf8!+- 1.61/34 Rxa7 65.Kg5 *(65.Kxf3 Rg7±)*]
64...Ra5+ 65.Kd6 Ra6+

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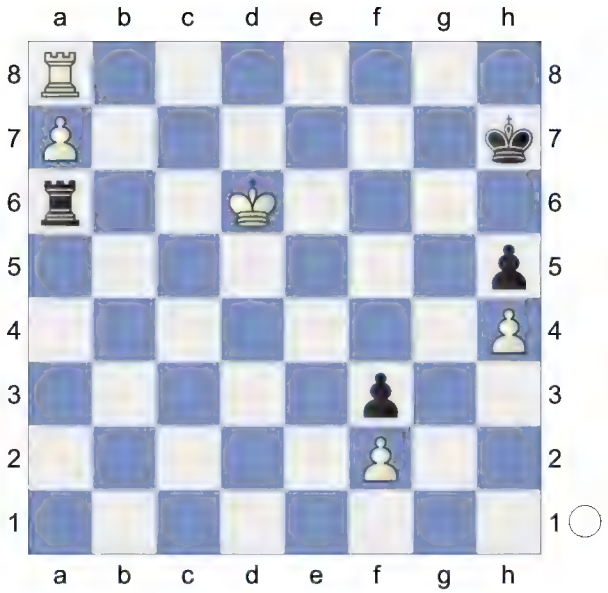
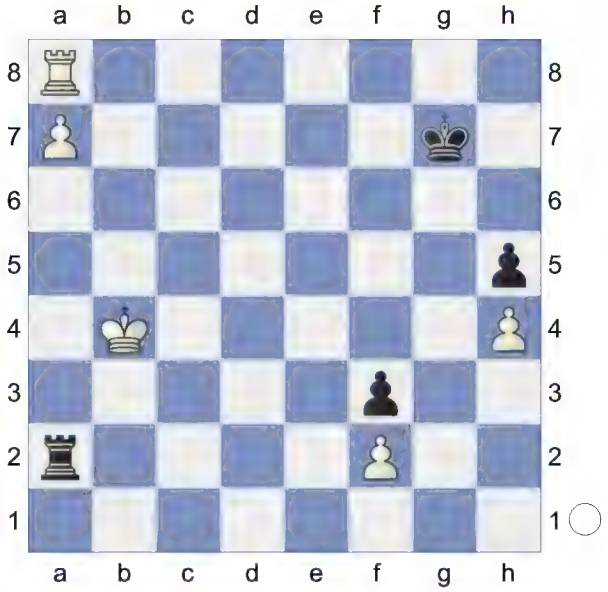


66.Kc5 Ra2 67.Kb6 Rb2+! 68.Kc6 Threatening mate with Rd8. **68...Rc2+! 69.Kb5 Ra2 70.Kb4 Kg7**



71.Kb3 Ra5 72.Kc4 Ra4+ 73.Kd3 -0.01/30
[73.Kd5± 0.54/32 Ra2 74.Ke4]
73...Ra3+ 74.Kd4 Ra4+ 75.Ke3 0.01/27
[75.Ke5± 0.39/30 is superior. Ra2 76.Kf4]
75...Ra3+!

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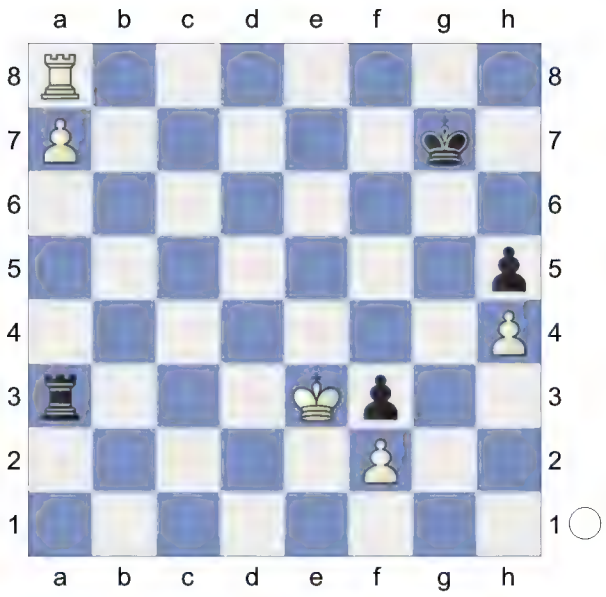
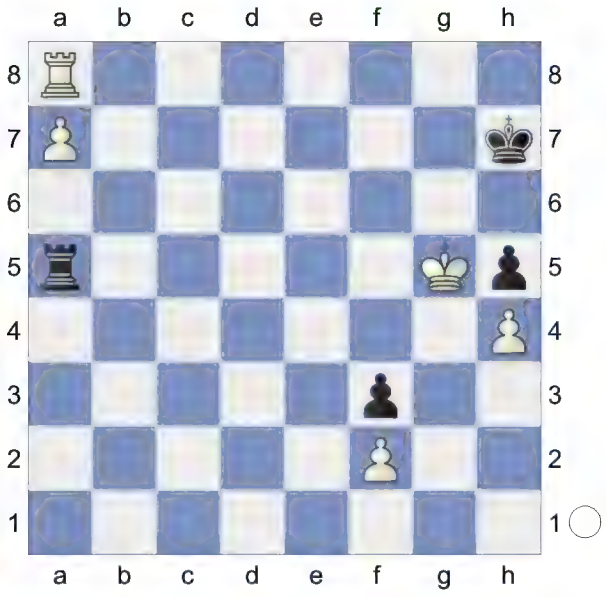
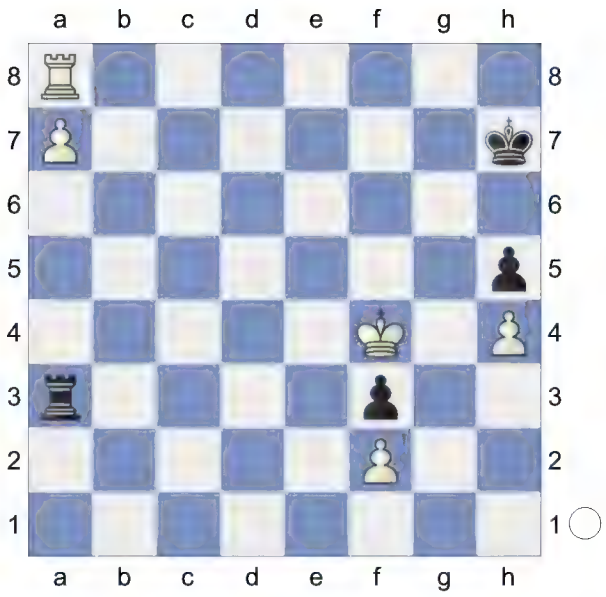


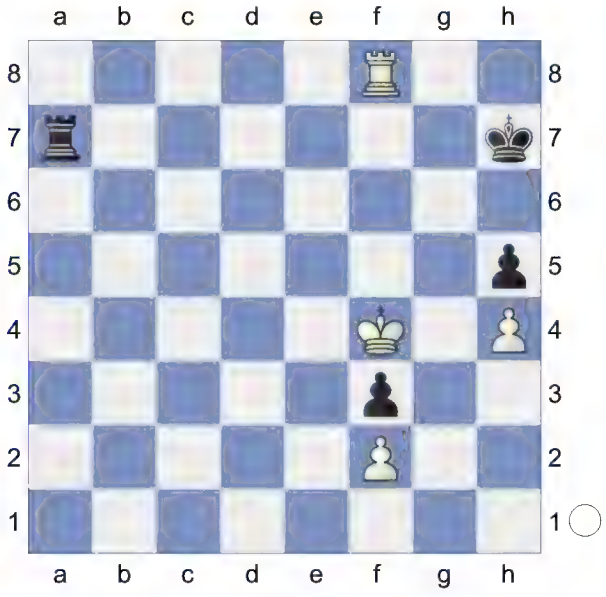
76.Ke4 Kh7! 77.Kf4 Kg7 Inhibits Rf8.
78.Ke4 -0.01/25
[78.Kg3± 0.50/29 Kh7 79.Kf4]
78...Kh7! 79.Kf5 Ra4 1.60/33
[Black should try 79...Ra6± 0.50/27 80.Ke4 Ra3]
80.Kg5 0.51/29
[White must play 80.Rf8!± 1.60/33 Rxa7 81.Kg5]
80...Ra5+!±



81.Kf4 -0.01/24
[81.Kf6!± 0.45/31 Ra6+ 82.Kf7]
81...Ra3!=



82.Rf8! Rxa7



83.Kg5!
[Don't do 83.Kxf3?! Rg7±]
83...Ra1 84.Rxf3 Rb1 85.Kxh5 Ra1

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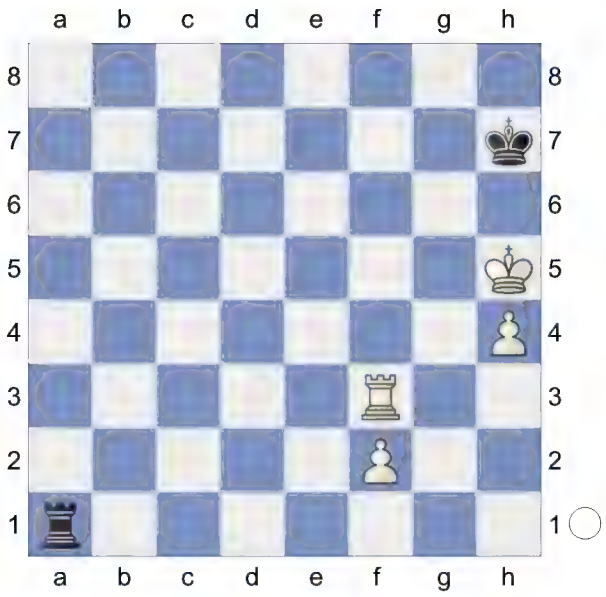
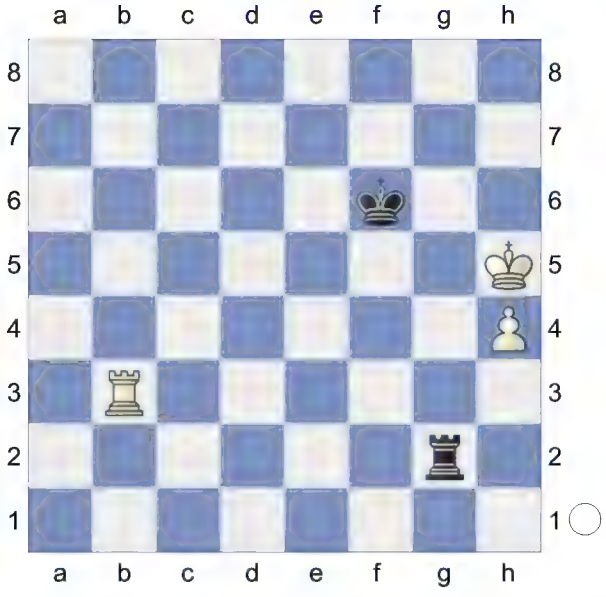


86.Rb3 Rf1 87.f3 Rg1 88.f4 Rg2 89.f5? 0.01/32

[89.Rb5+- 1.66/29]

89...Kg7 The position is equal. **90.f6+ Kxf6**



91.Rb1 Ra2 92.Rc1 Rb2 93.Ra1 Rc2 94.Rb1 Ra2 95.Rc1 Rb2

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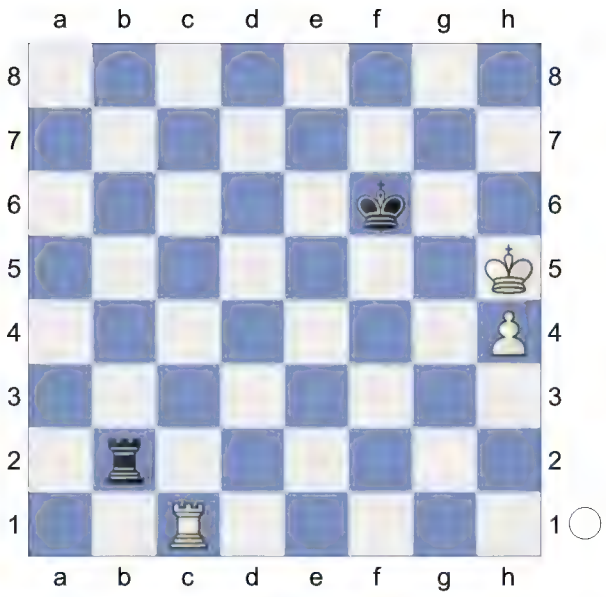
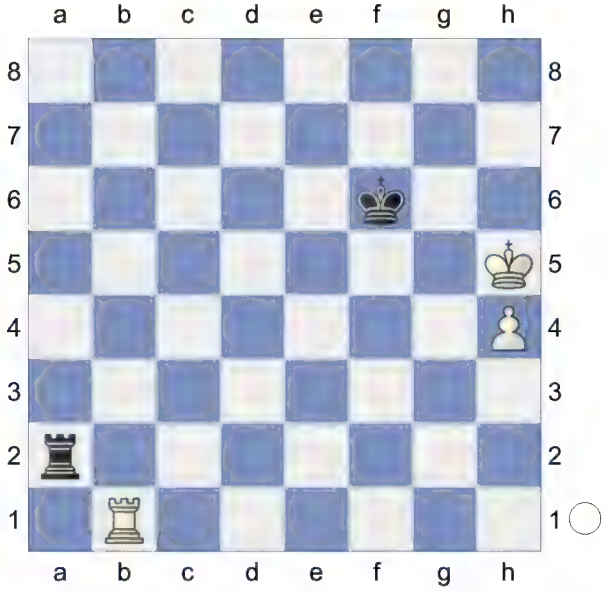


96.Ra1 Rc2 97.Rb1 Ra2



Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.04 (flawless)

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5 **D06**
□ **ArasanX** **3029**
■ **motorrijder** **2984**
Rapid 02.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 6min+3sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Qa4+N**
[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qd7

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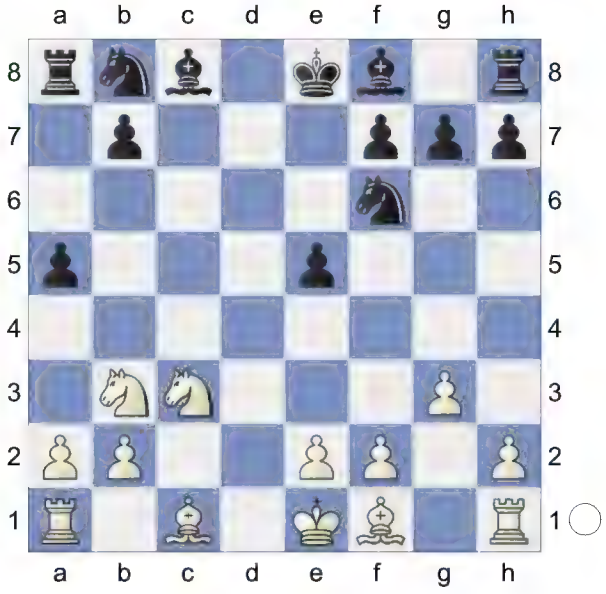
6.Qxd4 Qxd5 7.Nc3 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 a6 9.g3 e5 10.Nb3 a5



11.Bg2 Nc6 12.0-0 a4

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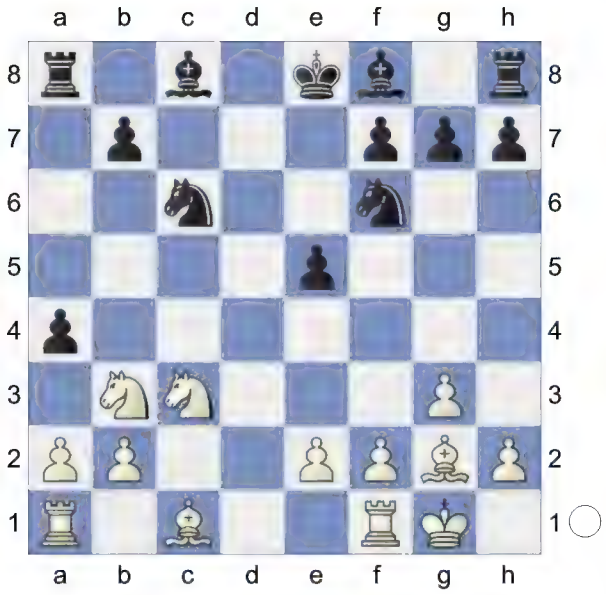
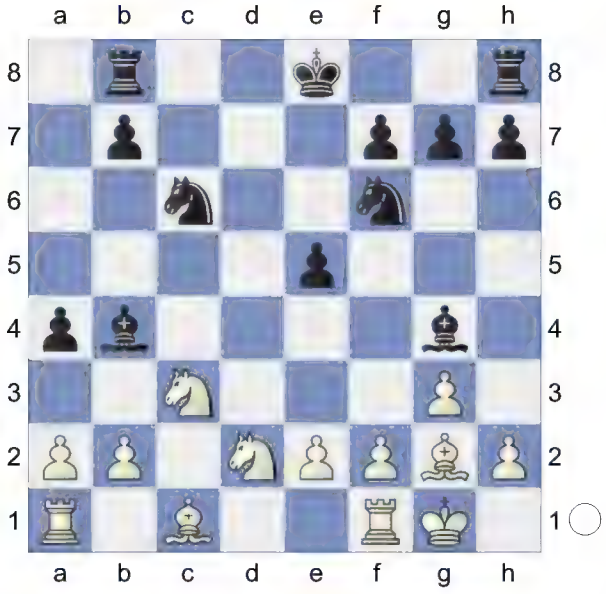


White has an edge. **13.Nb5!** aiming for Nc7+. **13...Rb8 14.Nd2 Bg4 15.Nc3 Bb4**



16.Nc4 Nd4 0.43/21
[16...Bxc3= -0.01/21 should be considered. 17.bxc3 Bxe2 18.Nd6+ Kd7]
17.Nxe5± Bxc3 Remove Defender **18.bxc3 Nxe2+ 19.Kh1 Nxc1 20.Nxg4 Nxg4**

(Diagram)

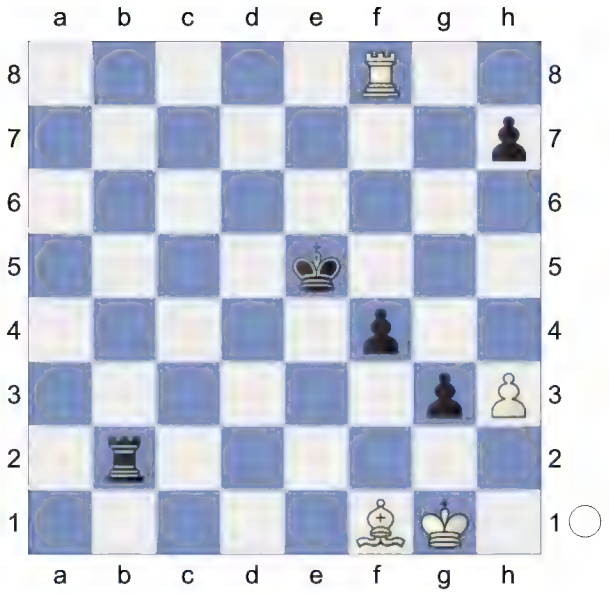
21.Raxc1 0-0 22.Rb1 b5 23.Bc6 Rfd8! 24.h3
[But not 24.Bxb5 Rd2=]
24...Nf6 25.Bxb5 Ne4

26.Bxa4 Rxb1 27.Rxb1 Nxc3 Endgame KRB-KRN **28.Rb4 Nxa2 29.Rc4 g5 30.Bb3 Rd2**

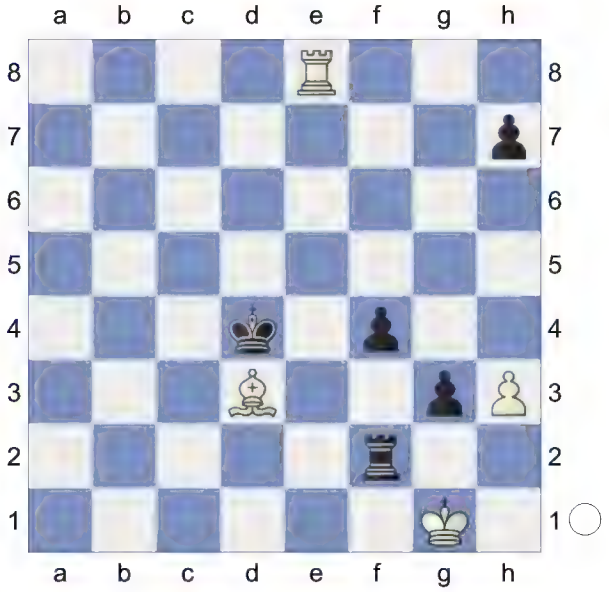
(Diagram)

31.f4 Rb2 32.Bxa2 gxf4± 1.62/24 KRB-KR
[32...Rxa2± 0.83/27 33.fxg5 Ra6]
33.Rc8++-
[And not 33.Rxf4 Rxa2 34.Kg1 Kg7=]
33...Kg7 34.Bc4 Black must now prevent g4. **34...fxg3**
[34...Rb1+? 35.Kg2+-]
35.Bf1 f5

36.Kg1 0.90/25
[⌓36.Bd3 1.32/24]
36...Kf6± 37.Rg8 f4 38.Rf8+! Ke5



39.Bd3 0.14/26 Inhibits Rb1+.
[White should play 39.Be2!± 1.31/24]
39...Rf2= 40.Re8+ Kd4



41.Bxh7 Rh2? 1.83/24
[41...f3= 0.01/24 and Black stays safe. 42.Re4+ Kd5]

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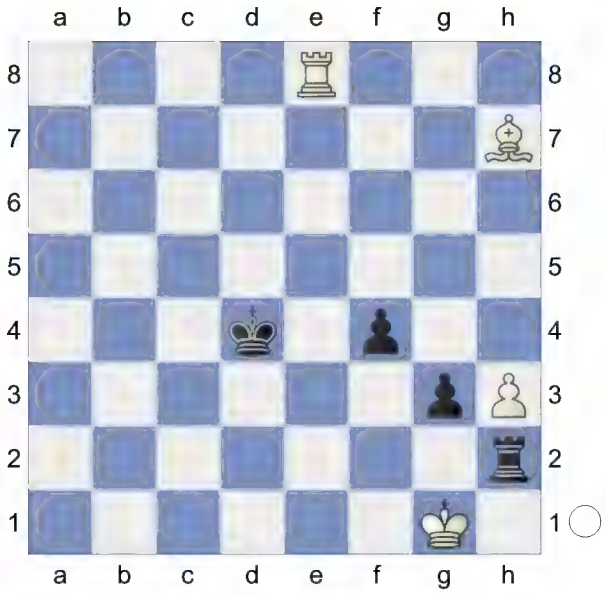
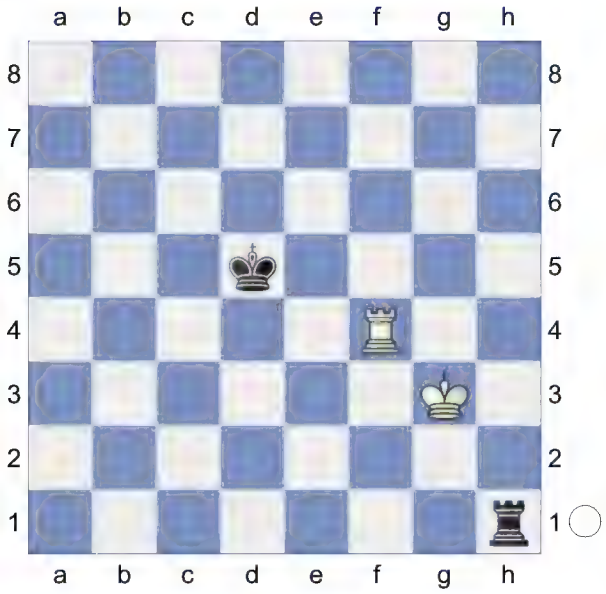


42.Re4+!+- Kd5 Strongly threatening ... f3. **43.Rxf4 Rxh3 44.Kg2?** 0.00/31 **Rxh7=** The position is equal. **45.Kxg3** KR-KR **45...Rh1**



46.Rf8 Ra1 47.Kf2 Rb1 48.Rf6 Ra1 49.Rf8 Rb1 50.Rg8 Ra1

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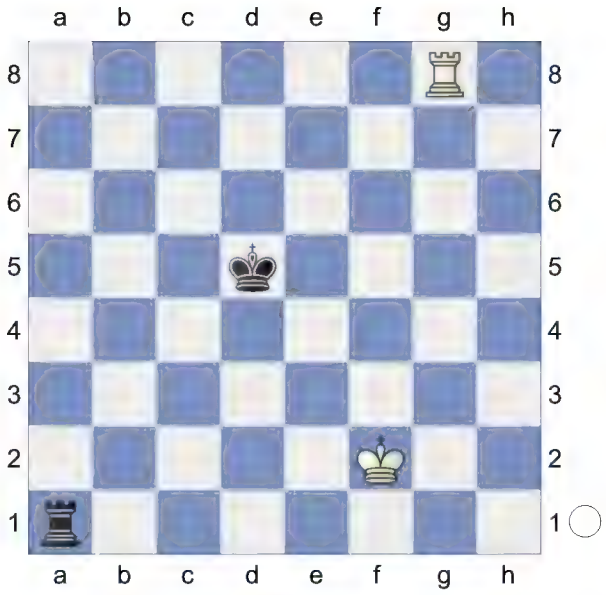
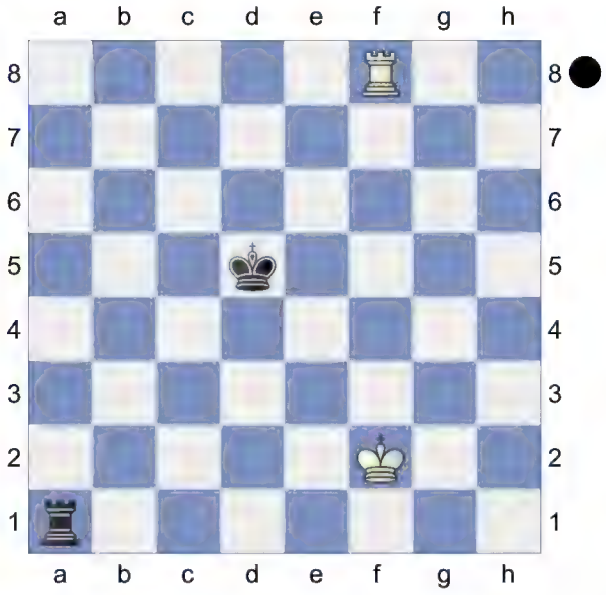


51.Rf8



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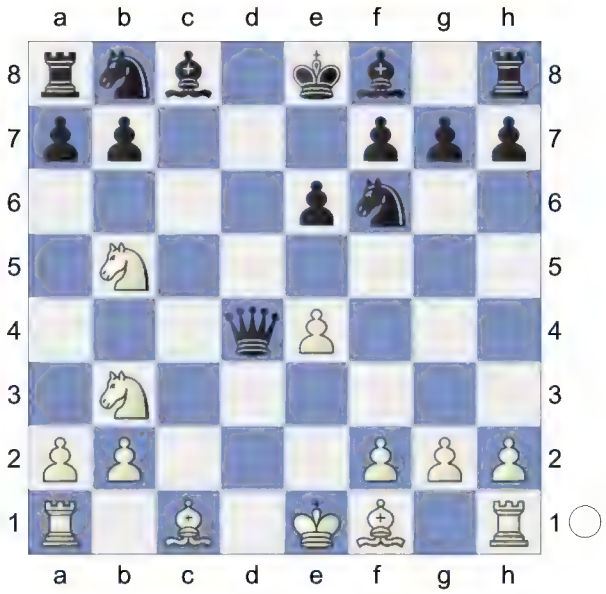
6 **D06**
□ **CruelKen** **3029**
■ **motorrijder** **3000**
Blitz 02.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Inhibits e4. **7.Nb3**
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

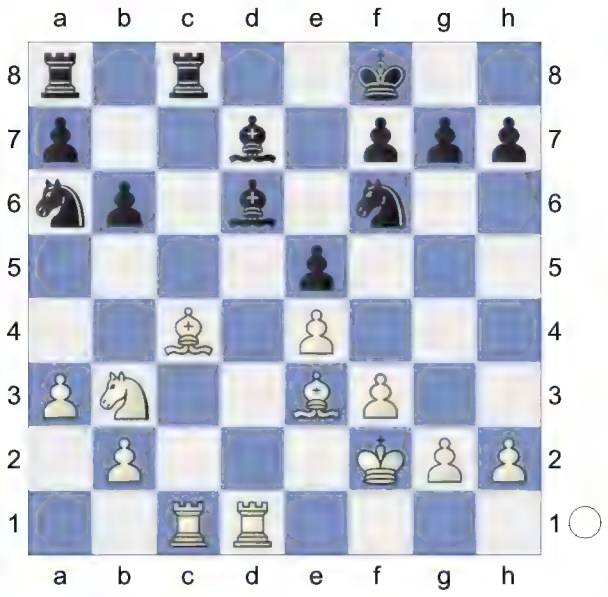
7...Qc7 8.Nb5N White has an edge.
[8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5 Bb3 Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)]
8...Qe5 9.e4 e6
[9...Nxe4? 10.f4 Nc3+ 11.fxe5+-]
10.Qd4 Qxd4



11.N3xd4 aiming for Nc7+. **11...Na6** Prevents Nc7+.
[11...Bb4+ looks sharper. 12.Bd2 Bxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Ke7]
12.f3 e5 13.Nb3 Be7 14.Be3 0-0 15.a3 0.24/21
[Much worse is 15.Bxa7 Bd7 16.Bb6 Nb4∓]
[15.0-0-0± 0.59/19 should be considered.]
15...b6 0.60/20
[15...Be6= 0.24/21 16.Na5 Bc5]

(Diagram)

16.Rc1± Bd7 17.Kf2 Rfd8 18.Bc4 Kf8 19.Rhd1 Rdc8 20.Nd6 Bxd6

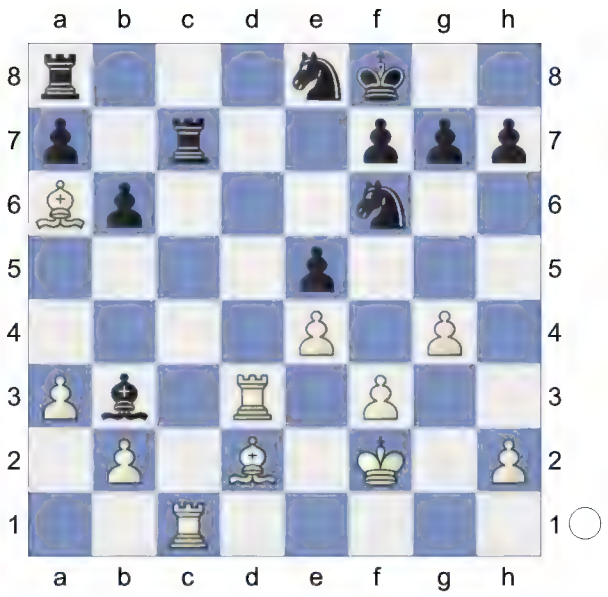


21.Rxd6 Nc7 22.Bd2 Ba4 23.g4 Nce8 24.Rd3 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. **24...Rc7** 0.82/18

[24...b5!= 0.26/20 25.Bd5 *(25.Bb4+ Kg8=)* 25...Nxd5 26.exd5 Bxb3 27.Rxc8 *(27.Rxb3 Rxc1 28.Bxc1 a6±)* 27...Rxc8 28.Bb4+ Kg8 29.Rxb3 f6]

25.Ba6± Bxb3

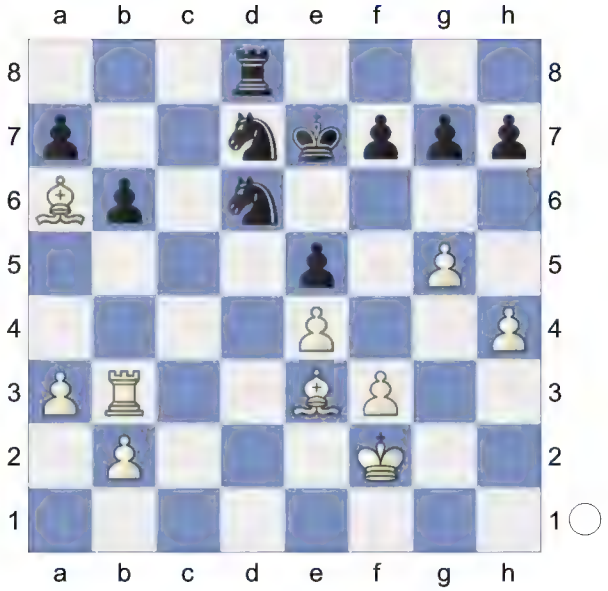
(Diagram)



26.Rxb3 Rxc1 27.Bxc1 A strong pair of Bishops. **27...Nd7** Strongly threatening ...Nc5. **28.Be3 Ke7 29.g5** 0.79/21

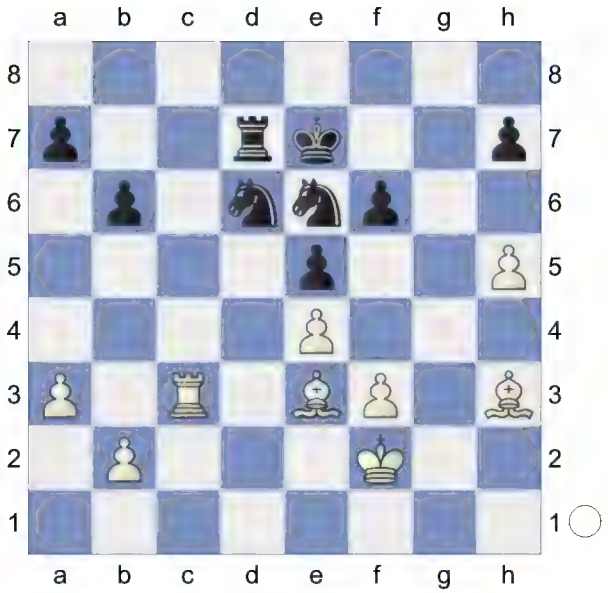
[Better is 29.Rc3 1.13/19]

29...Nd6 30.h4 Rd8

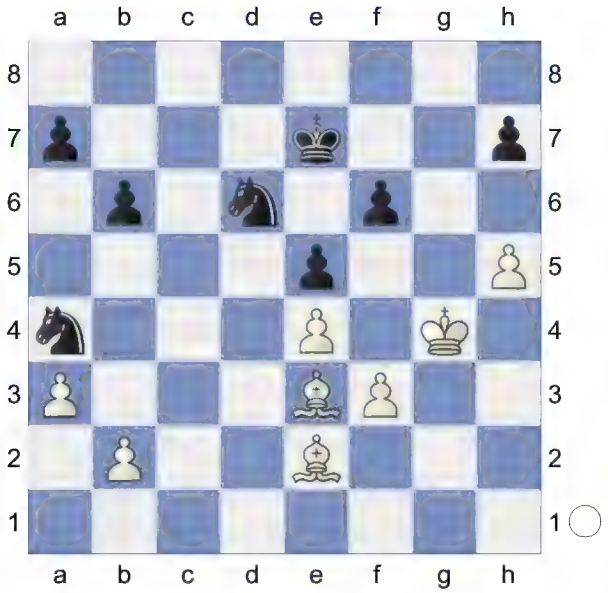


31.Rc3 Hoping for Rc7. **31...Nf8 32.Bf1 f5 33.gxf6+ gxf6 34.Bh3** Rc7+ is the strong threat. **34...Ne6** Inhibits Rc7+. **35.h5 Rd7**

(Diagram)

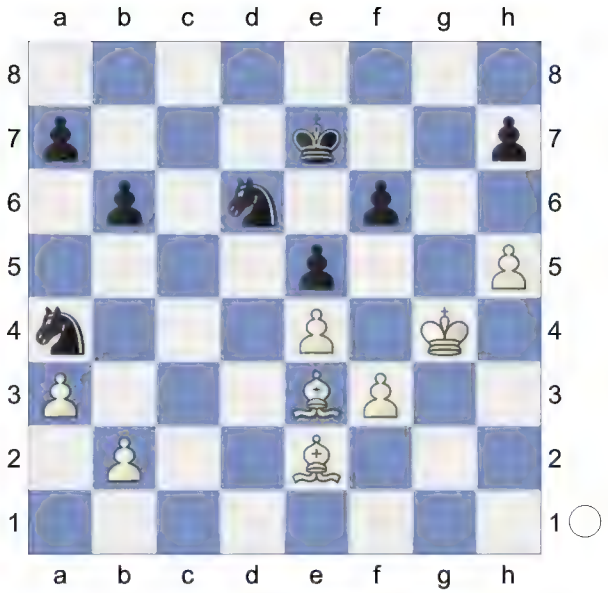


36.Kg3! **Rc7** **37.Rxc7+** **Nxc7**
Endgame KBB-KNN **38.Bf1** **Ne6**
39.Kg4 Against f5+ **39...Nc5** **40.Be2** **Na4**

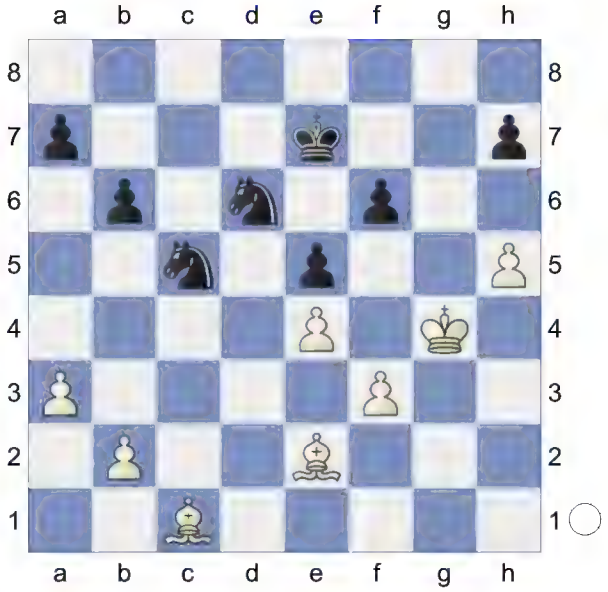


41.Bc1 **Nc5** **42.Bf1** 0.06/22
[42.Bd2± 0.71/25]
42...Nb3!= **43.Be3** **Nc5!** **44.Be2** -0.01/22
[44.b4± 0.66/24 Na4 45.Bd3]
44...Na4!

(Diagram)



45.Bc1 0.01/20
[45.b3!± 1.03/24 Nc3 46.Bf1]
45...Nc5



46.Bd2 **Na4** **47.b3** **Nc5** **48.b4** **Na4** **49.b5** **Nc5**

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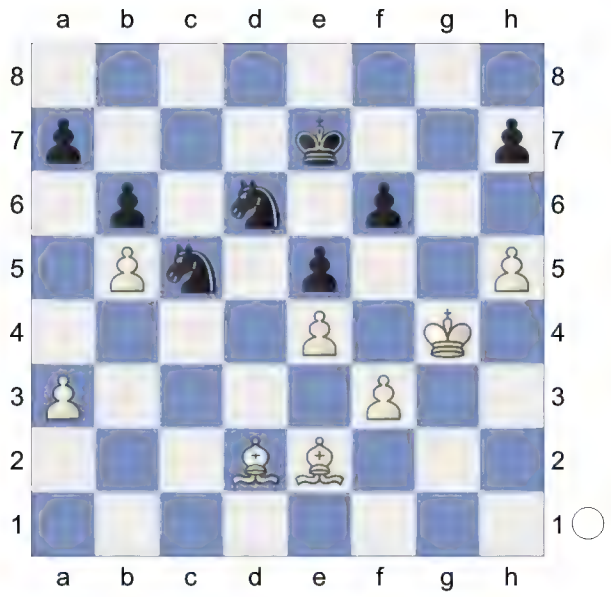
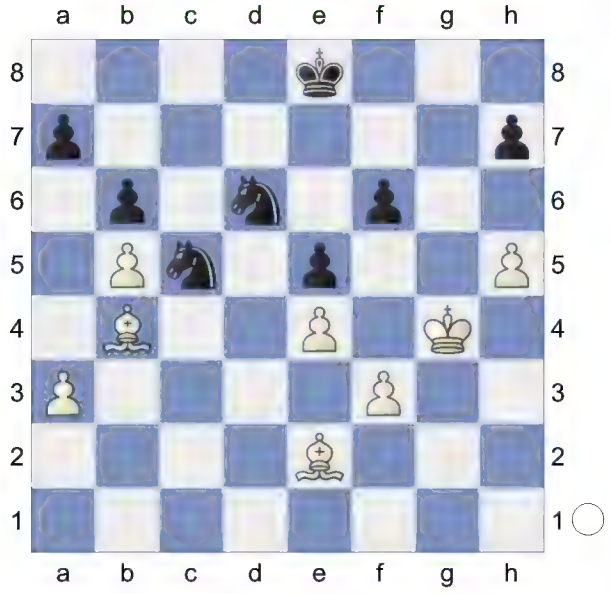
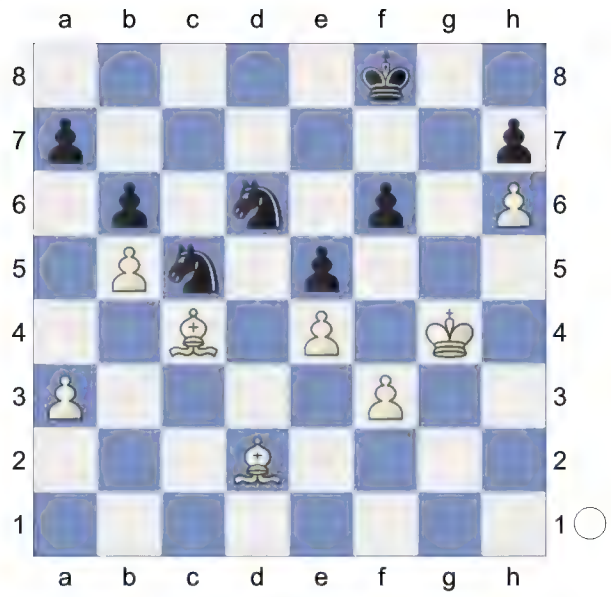


50.Bb4! Ke8 1.47/25
[Black should play 50...Ke6 1.10/25]

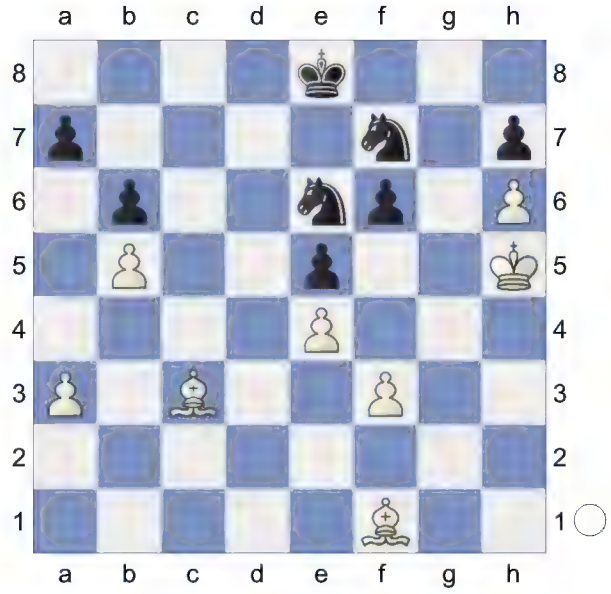


51.Bf1 1.14/26
[White should try 51.a4 1.47/25]
51...Kf7± 52.Be1 Ke7 53.h6 Nf7
54.Bd2 Kf8 55.Bc4 0.01/27
[55.Be2± 0.75/25]
55...Nd6=

(Diagram)



56.Bf1 Ke8 0.66/26
[56...Nf7!= -0.01/24]
57.Bb4 0.28/27
[57.Kh5± 0.66/26
is more appropriate.]
57...Nf7 58.Bd2 Nd6 Inhibits Bc4.
59.Bc3 Nf7! 60.Kh5 Ne6



61.Bd2 Nf4+! 62.Bxf4

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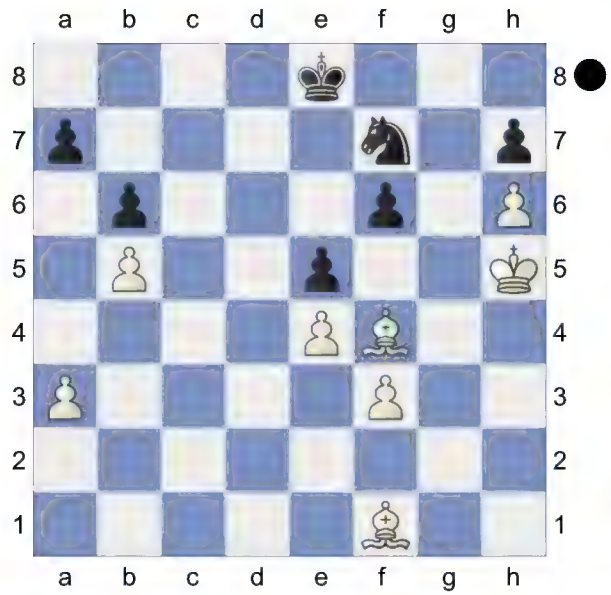

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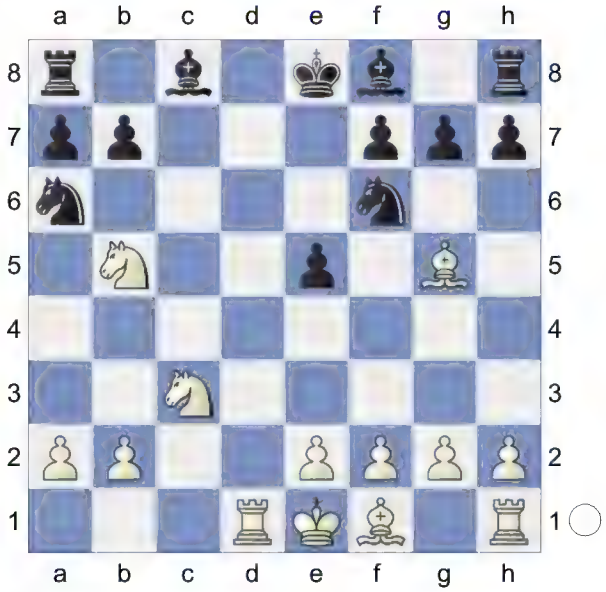
7 **D06**
□ **Fedoseev,Vladimir1** **3025**
■ **Musovic,Armin** **2230**
Chess.com INT blitz (3) 05.11.2019
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Against e4 **7.Bd2N**
[7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-N, N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
7...e5 8.Ndb5 And now Nd5! would win. White is slightly better. **8...Qd8** Against Nd5
[8...a6? 9.Nd5! Qxd2+ 10.Qxd2+-]
9.Bg5 Qxd1+ 1.21/21
[9...Be6= 0.22/20]
10.Rxd1± Na6

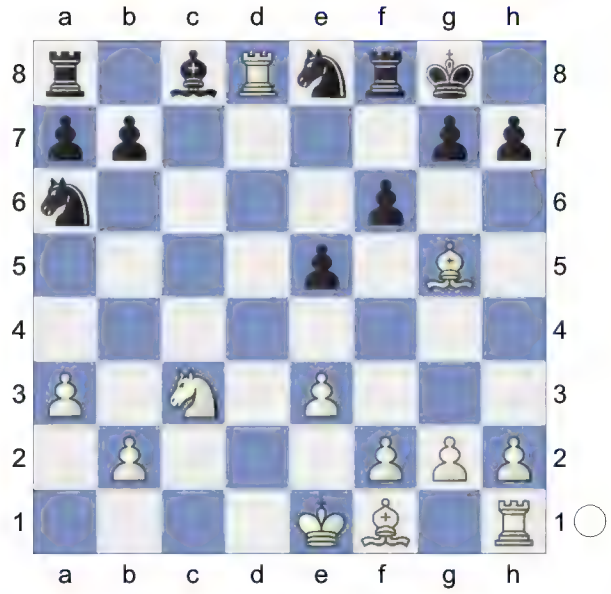


Inhibits Nc7+. **11.e3** 0.90/21
[⌓11.g3 1.23/21]
11...Bb4 12.a3→ White attacks with force. **12...Bxc3+ 13.Nxc3 0-0 14.Rd6** 0.38/22

[14.Bc4± 0.82/20]

14...Ne8 **15.Rd8** Black must now prevent Nd5. **15...f6** 0.95/21

[15...Nec7± 0.41/21]



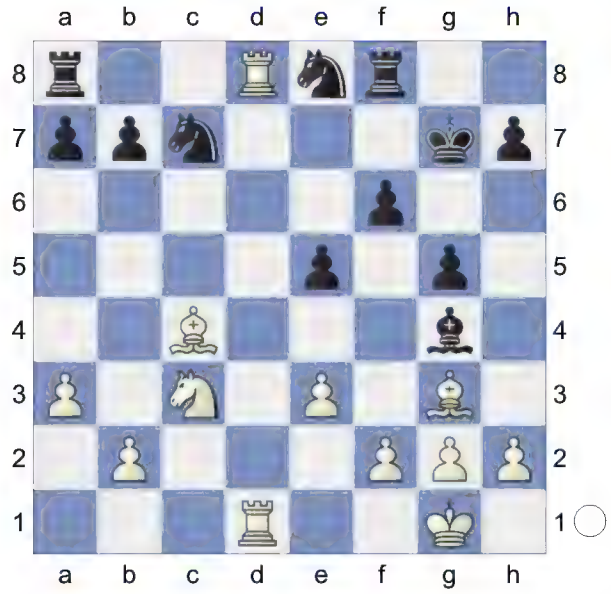
16.Bc4+! **Kh8** **17.Bh4** **Nac7** Inhibits Be6. **18.0-0** **g5** 1.90/23

[18...Bf5± 1.17/22 19.Rd2 Rc8]

19.Bg3+- **Kg7** **20.Rfd1** 1.38/23

[20.f4+- 1.89/22]

20...Bg4±

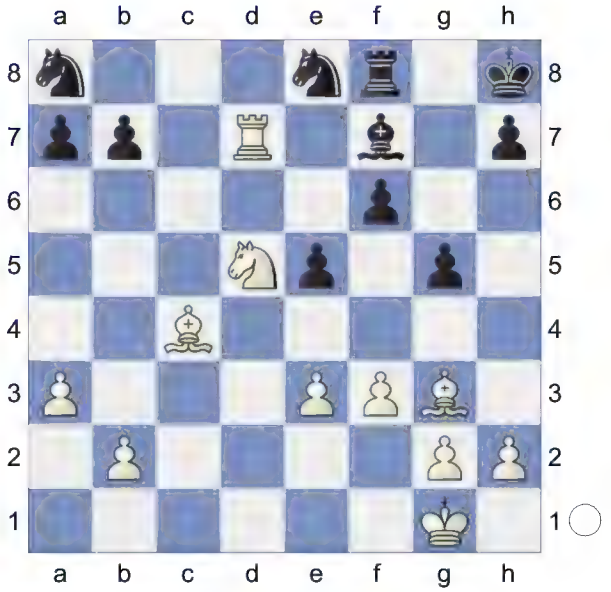


21.f3 &Bianco is much more active.

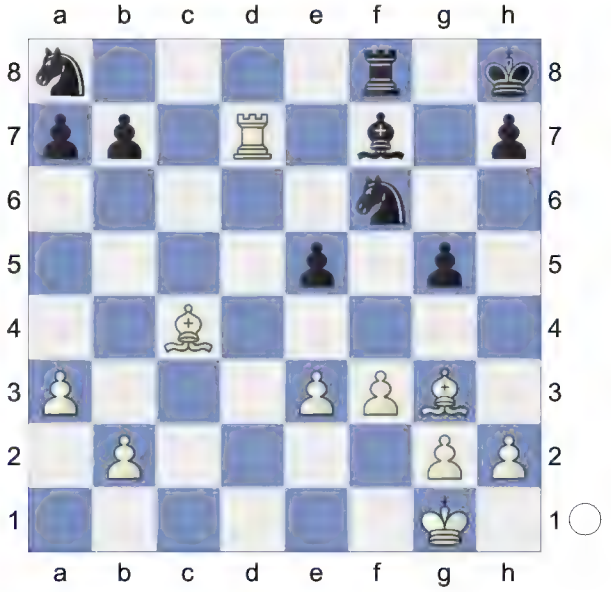
21...Bh5 3.23/27 Loses the game.

[21...Rxd8± 1.41/23 22.Rxd8 Be6]

22.R1d7+ **Kh8** **23.Rxa8** **Nxa8** **24.Nd5** Strongly threatening Rd8. **24...Bf7**



25.Nxf6 **Nxf6**



26.Rxf7 **Rxf7** **27.Bxf7+-** Endgame KBB-KNN **27...Nd7** 5.86/26

[27...Kg7 3.61/24 28.Be6 e4]

28.Bd5 **Nab6** **29.Bxb7** **Kg7** **30.Bc6** **Kf6**

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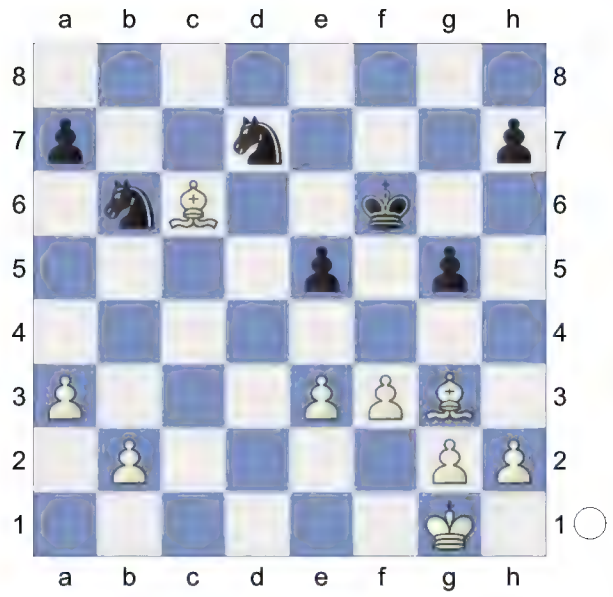


31.Bxd7 Nxd7 KB-KN **32.e4 a5 33.b4 axb4 34.axb4 Ke6 35.Bf2 Kd6?** 6.02/26

[35...g4 3.71/25 36.Kf1 *(36.fxg4 Nf6+-)* 36...Kd6]

36.Kf1 Kc6 37.Ke2 Kb5 38.Be3 Kxb4 5.52/29

[⌓38...h6 3.58/27 39.h4 gxh4 40.Bxh6 Kxb4]

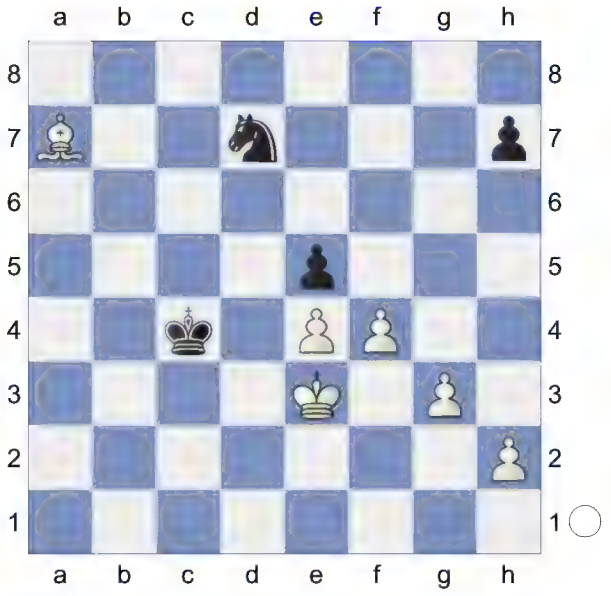
39.Bxg5 Kc4 40.Be3 Nf6

(Diagram)

41.g3 Nd7 42.Bf2 Kc3 43.Ba7 Kc4 44.Ke3 Kc3 7.78/27

[⌓44...Kb5 4.40/24 45.Kd3 Kc6]

45.f4 Kc4



46.f5 Kb5 47.Kf3 Kc6 48.g4 Kd6 49.g5 Ke7 50.h4 aiming for Kg4.

50...Kf7

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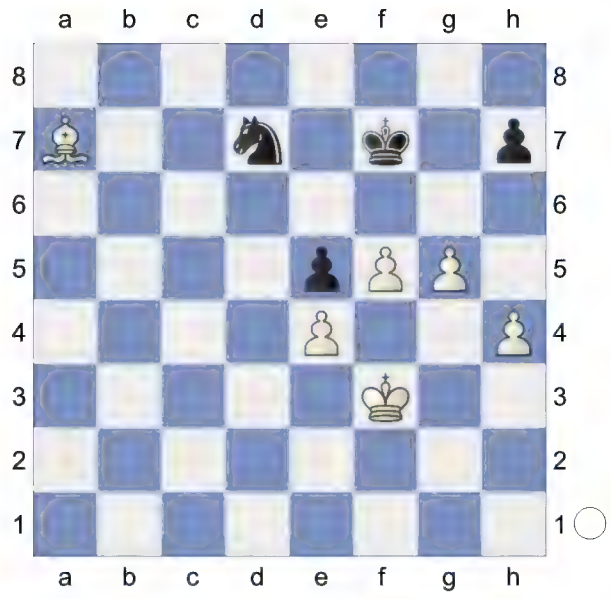
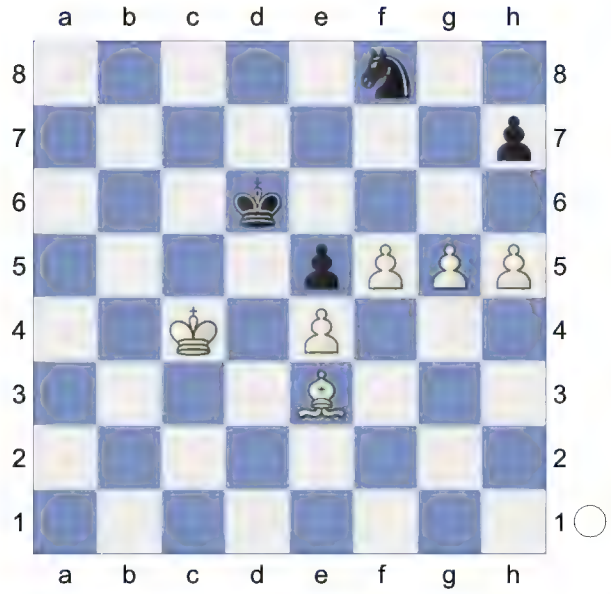


51.Ke3 Ke7 52.Kd3 Kd6 53.Kc4 Kc6 54.Be3 Threatens to win with h5. **54...Nf8 55.h5** White threatens g6 and mate. **55...Kd6**



56.Bc5+

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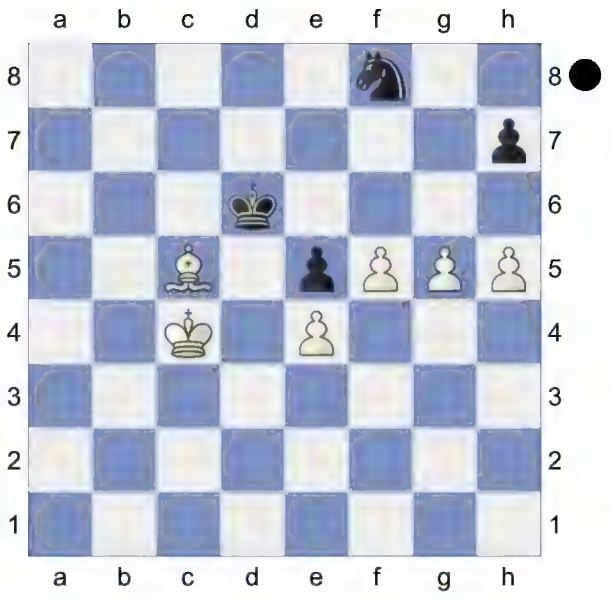

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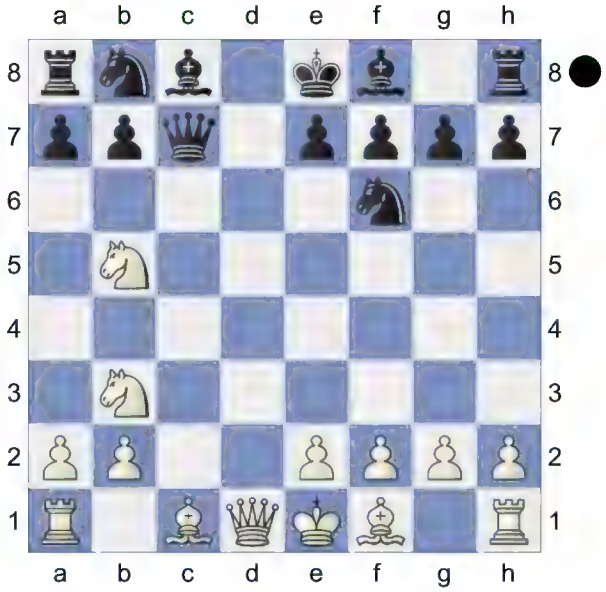
8 **D06**
□ **Mr-Chess-Berserk** **3024**
■ **motorrijder** **3000**
Rapid 18.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

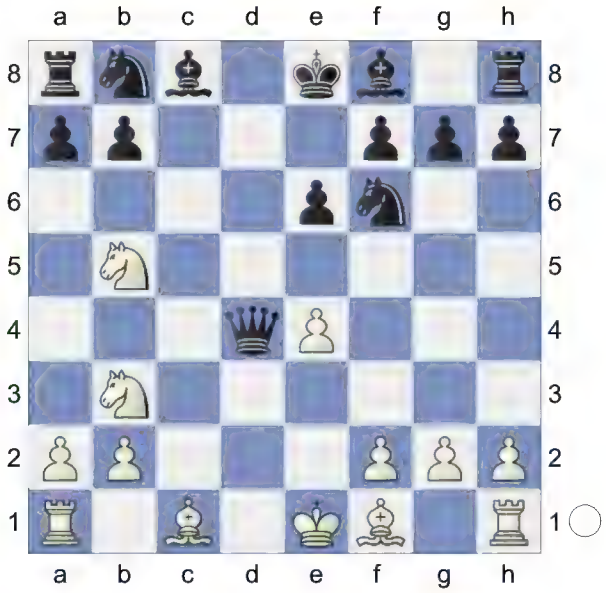
Blitz 6min+3sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.Nb3
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

7...Qc7 8.Nb5N
[8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5 Bb3 Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)]



White has an edge. **8...Qe5 9.e4 e6**
[9...Nxe4? 10.f4 Nc3+ 11.fxe5+-]
10.Qd4 Qxd4



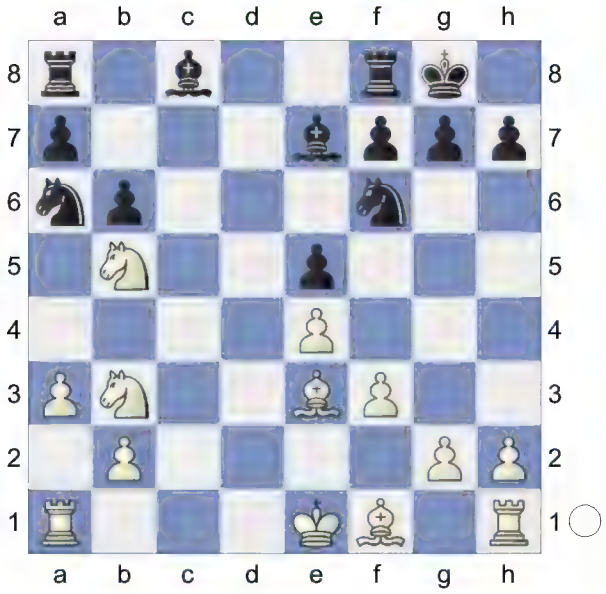
11.N3xd4 Na6 Against Nc7+

[11...Bb4+ seems wilder. 12.Bd2 Bxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Ke7]

12.f3 e5 13.Nb3 Be7 14.Be3 0-0 15.a3

[Of course not 15.Bxa7 Bd7 16.Bb6 Nb4∓]

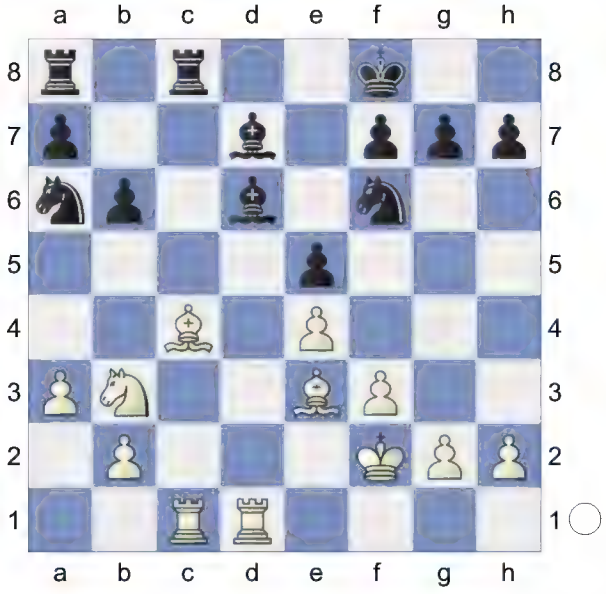
15...b6



16.Rc1 Bd7 17.Kf2 Rfd8 0.72/21

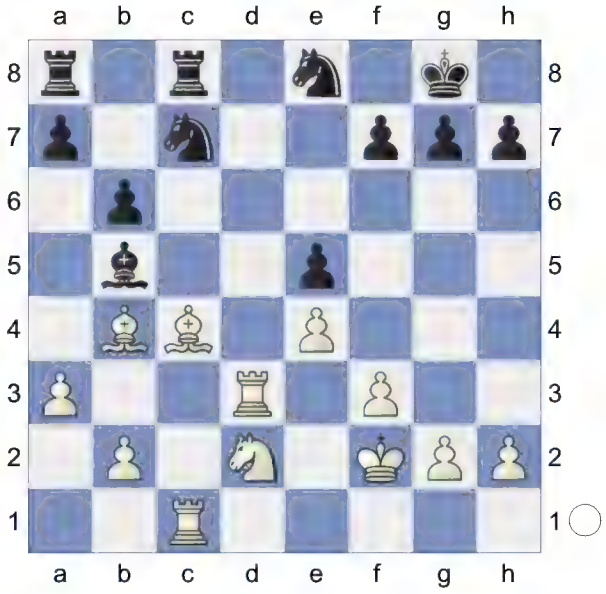
[17...Nc5± 0.41/20 18.Nxc5 bxc5]

18.Bc4 Kf8 19.Rhd1 Rdc8 20.Nd6 Bxd6

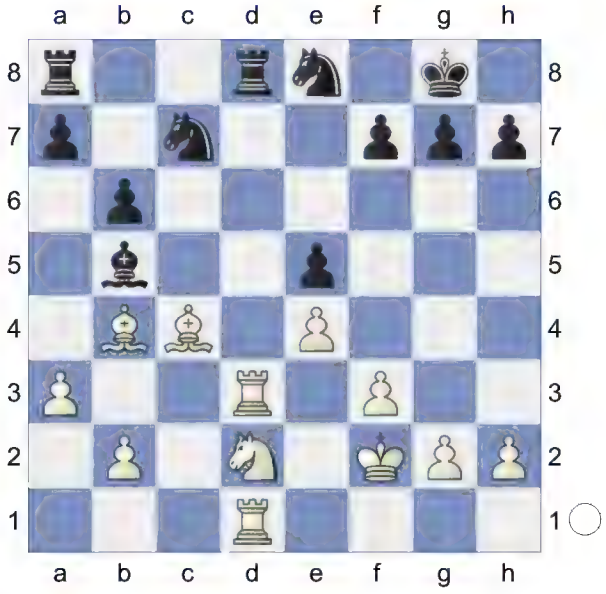


21.Rxd6 Nc7 22.Bd2 Ba4 23.Bb4 This bishop pair is nice. **23...Kg8**

24.Nd2 Nfe8 25.Rd3 Bb5

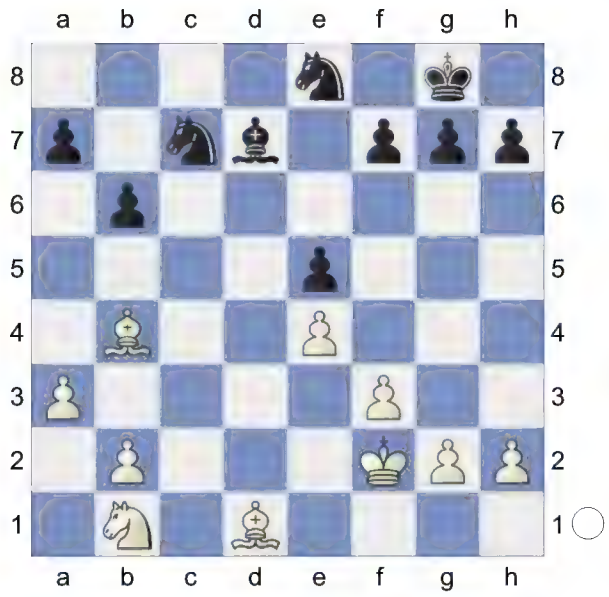


26.Rd1 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. **26...Rd8**

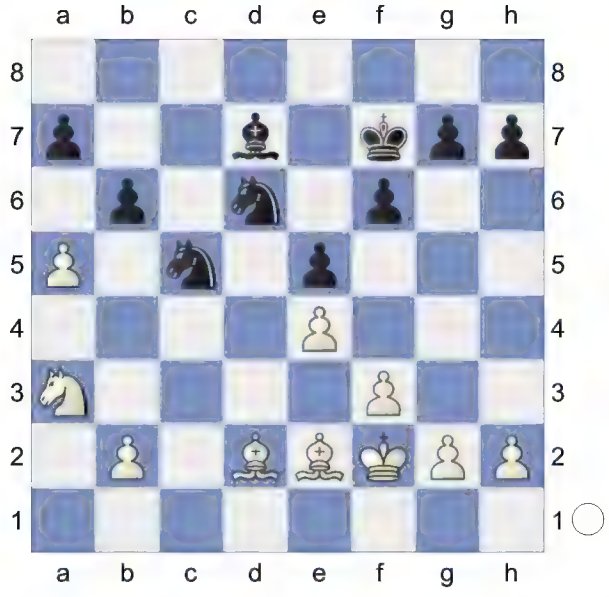


27.Nb1 0.38/22 **Rxd3± 28.Bxd3 Rd8 29.Bc2 Rxd1 30.Bxd1 Bd7**

(Diagram)

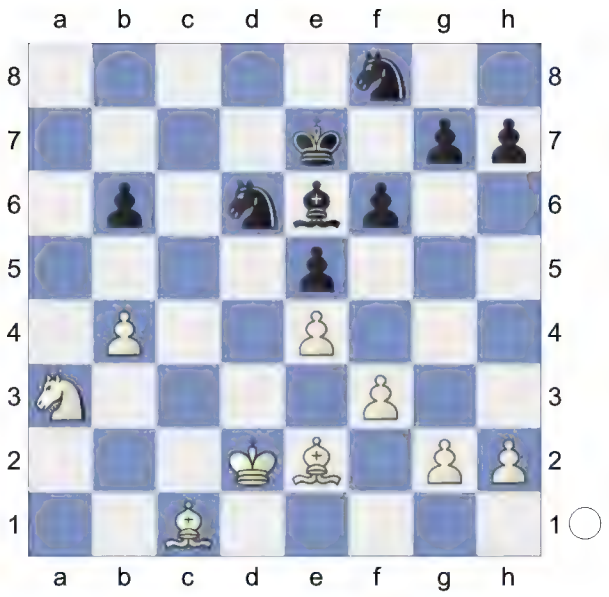


31.a4 f6 32.Na3 0.39/19
[Better is 32.Nc3 0.70/18]
32...Kf7 0.70/19
[⌓32...Ne6 0.39/19]
33.a5 Na6 34.Bd2 Nd6 35.Be2 Nc5

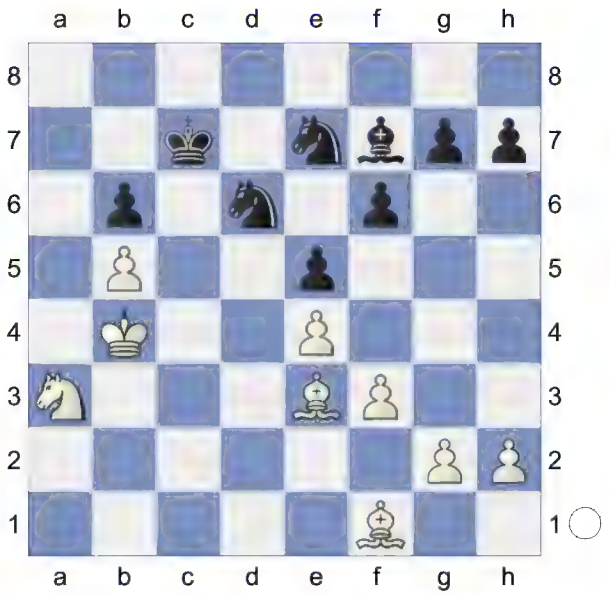


36.Ke1 Be6 37.b4 Nd7 38.axb6 0.64/22
[White should try 38.Be3± 0.96/19]
38...axb6 39.Bc1 Ke7 40.Kd2 Nf8

(Diagram)



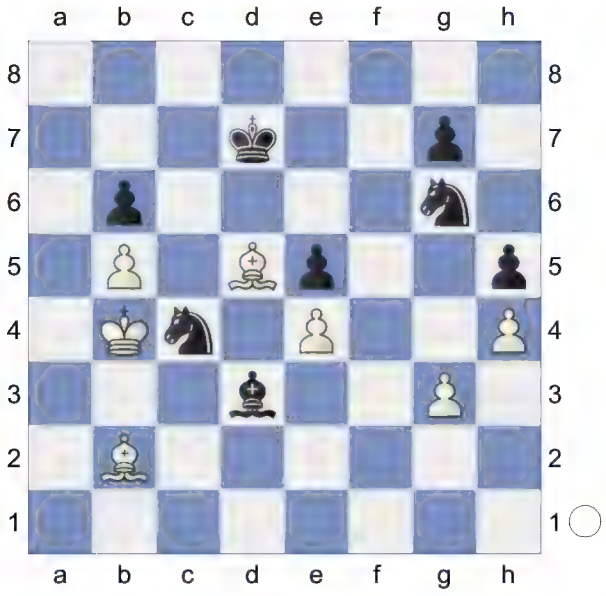
41.Kc3 Kd7 42.b5 Ng6 43.Bf1 Ne7 44.Be3 Kc7 45.Kb4 Bf7 0.61/21
[45...h5= 0.21/21]



46.Bd2 Be6 47.Bc1 f5 48.Bd3 fxe4 49.fxe4 Ng6 50.Bc4 -0.01/20
[50.Bb2± 0.40/19 should be considered.]
50...Bg4 0.31/21
[50...Bc8!= -0.01/20]

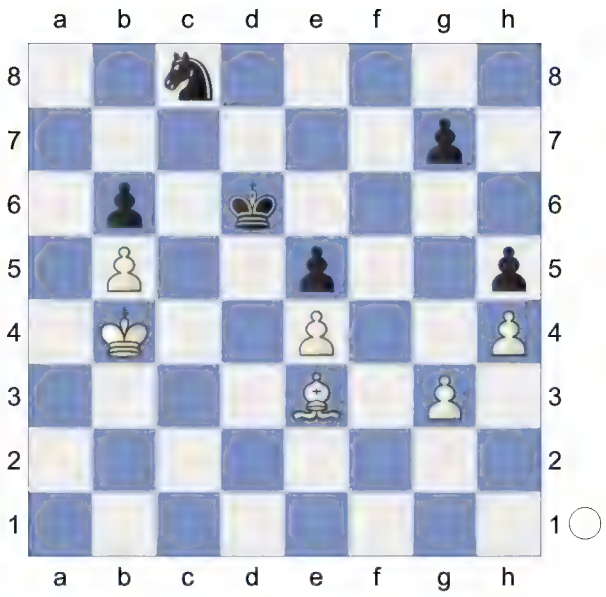
(Diagram)

51.Bb2 Kd7 52.Bd5 -0.01/25
[52.Bf1± 0.50/24]
52...Be2 The position is equal. **53.g3 Bd3 54.h4 h5 55.Nc4 Nxc4**

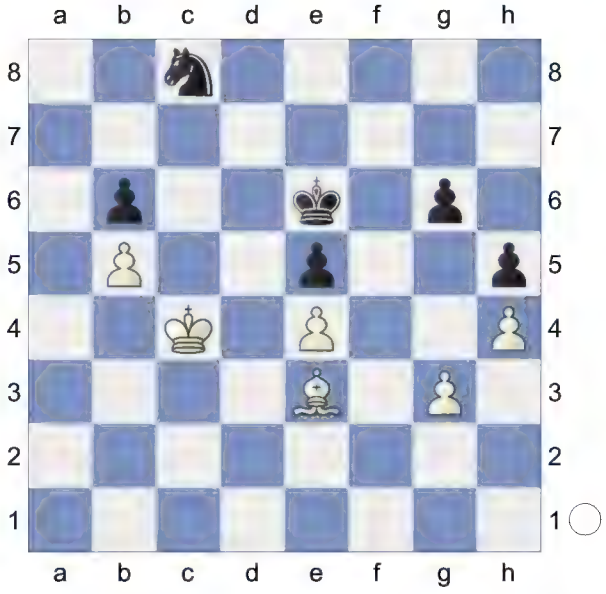


56.Bxc4 Bxc4 57.Kxc4= Endgame KB-KN **57...Ke6 58.Bc1** Threatens to win with Be3. **58...Ne7 59.Be3 Nc8 60.Kb4 Kd6**

(Diagram)



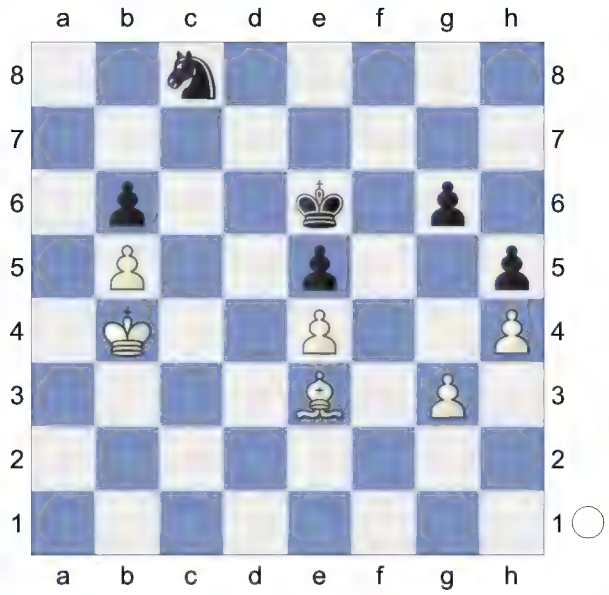
61.Bg1 Kd7 62.Be3 g6 63.Kc4 Ke6 64.Kb4 Kd7 65.Kc4 Ke6



66.Bg1 Nd6+ 67.Kb4 Nc8 68.Bf2 Kd6 69.Kc4 Ke6 70.Be3 Nd6+

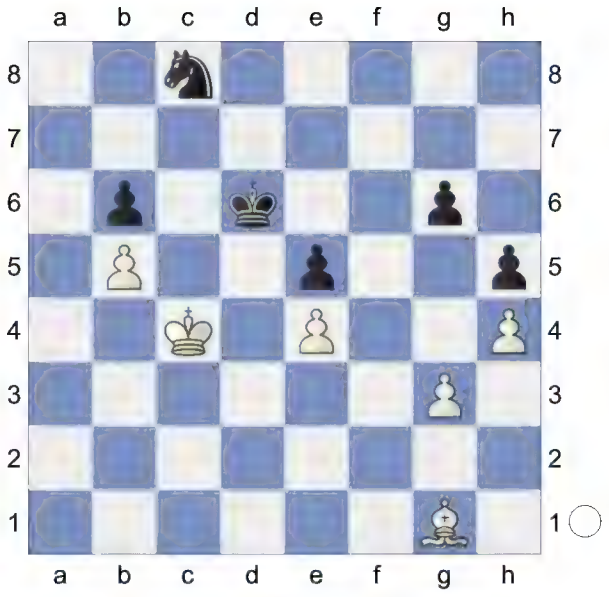
(Diagram)

71.Kb4 Nc8 72.Bg1 Ke7 73.Kc4 Ke6 74.Be3 Nd6+ 75.Kb4 Nc8

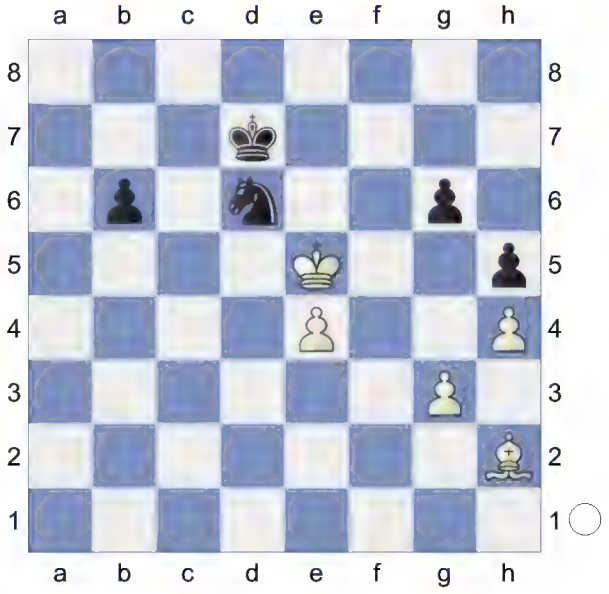


76.Bf2 Kd7 77.Kc4 Hoping for Kd5.
77...Ke6 78.Bg1 Kd6 79.Kc3 Kd7 80.Kc4 Strongly threatening Kd5.
80...Kd6

(Diagram)



81.Bh2 Ke6 82.Kb4 Kd7 83.Kc4 Nd6+ 84.Kd5 Nxb5 85.Kxe5
Kf6 is the strong threat. **85...Nd6**



86.Bg1

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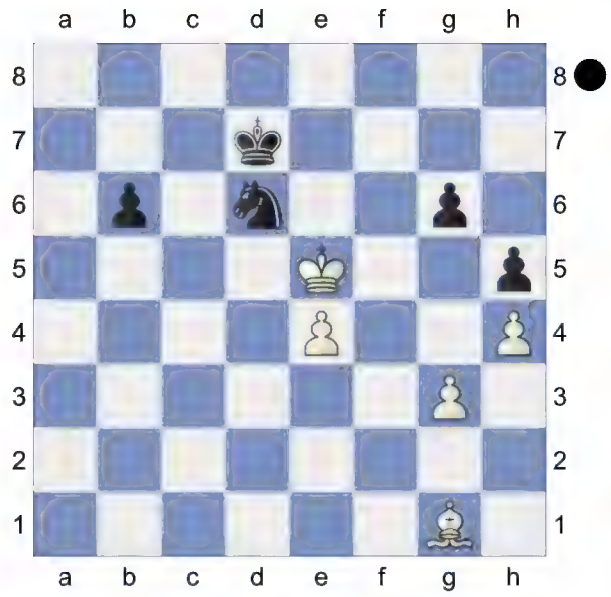

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9 **D06**
□ **aspiringstar** **3008**
■ **Zayats71** **2707**
Blitz 07.05.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5

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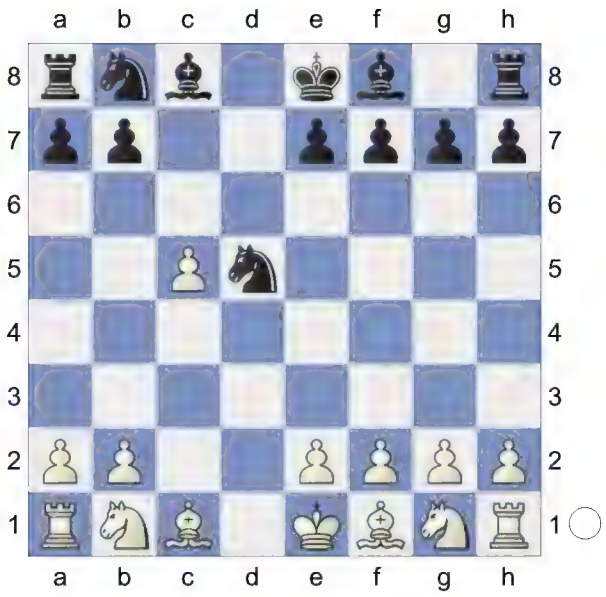
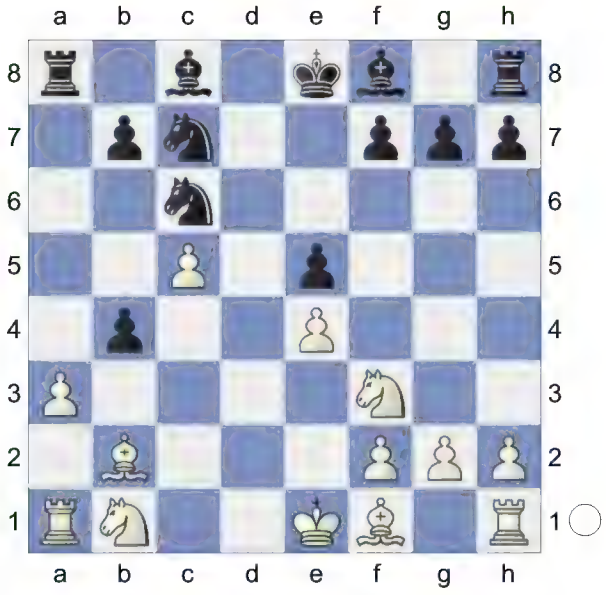


6.a3 e5 7.e4 Nc7 8.b4 0.01/23
[8.Be3± 0.36/20 should be considered.]
8...a5= And now ...axb4 would win.
9.Bb2 Nc6 10.Nf3 Prevents Nd4.
10...axb4
[10...f6 keeps more tension. 11.b5 Nd8 12.Nc3 Bd7]



11.axb4 Strongly threatening Rxa8.
11...Rxa1 12.Bxa1 Nxb4

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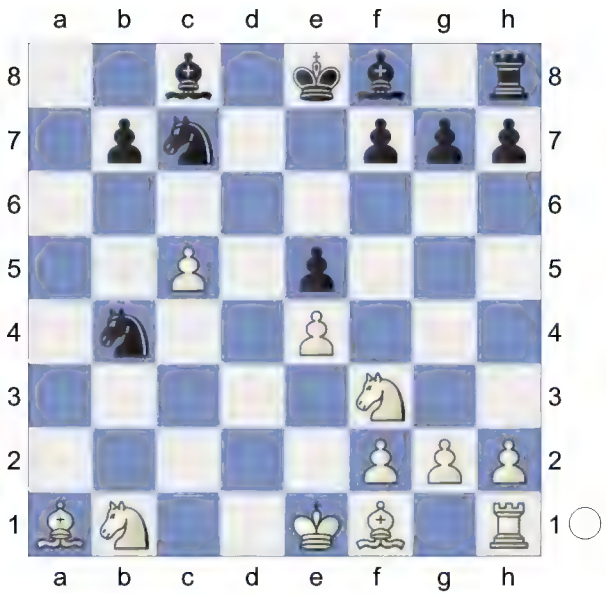
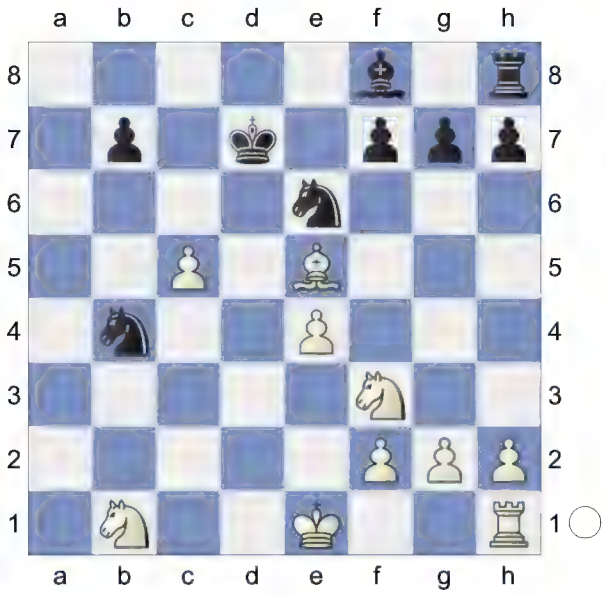
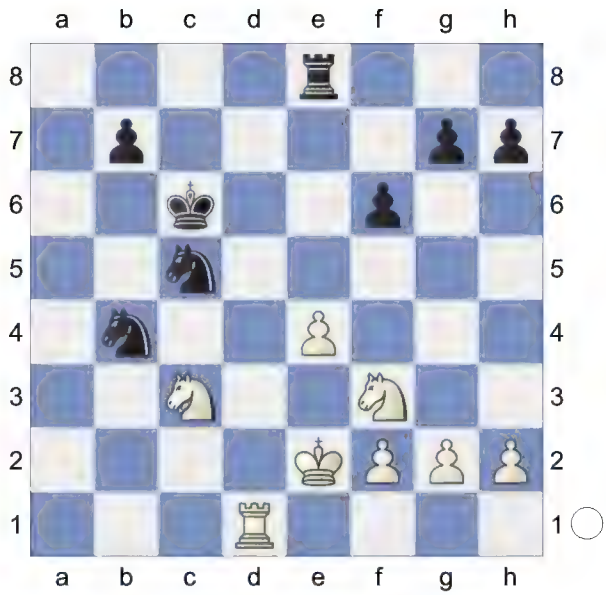


aiming for ...Nc2+. **13.Bxe5 Ne6**
14.Bb5+ Bd7 15.Bxd7+ Kxd7

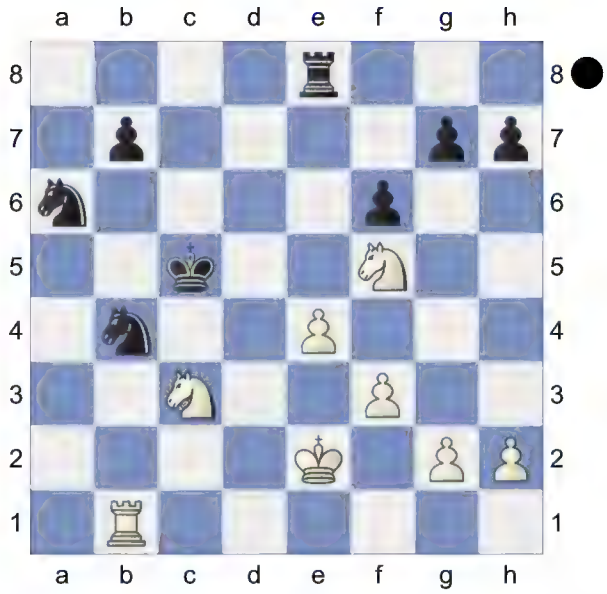


16.Ke2! f6 17.Rd1+ Kc6 0.66/21
[Black should play 17...Kc8= 0.04/22
18.Bd6 Nxc5]
18.Bd6!± &Bianco is more active.
18...Nxc5 19.Bxf8 Rxf8 20.Nc3 0.13/20
[20.Nd4+!± 0.62/23 Kb6 21.Nc3]
20...Re8 0.68/21
[20...Ne6!= 0.13/20]

(Diagram)

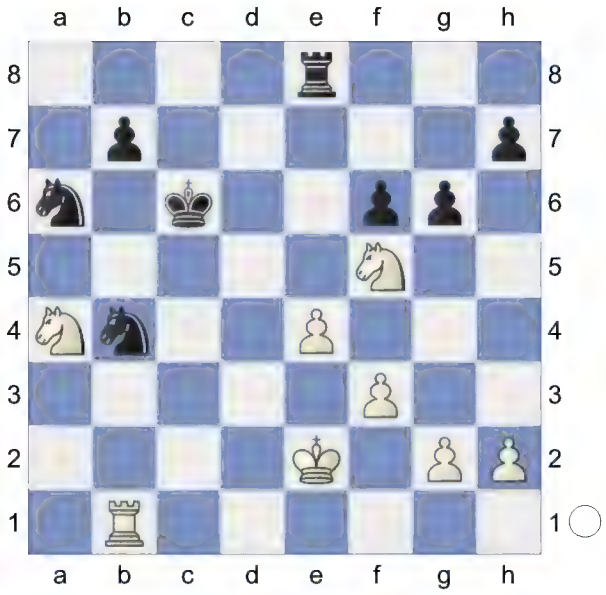


21.Nd4+ Kb6 22.Rb1 Nca6 0.98/20
[22...Ka5± 0.52/22]
23.f3 0.67/18
[23.h4± 0.98/20]
23...Kc5 24.Nf5

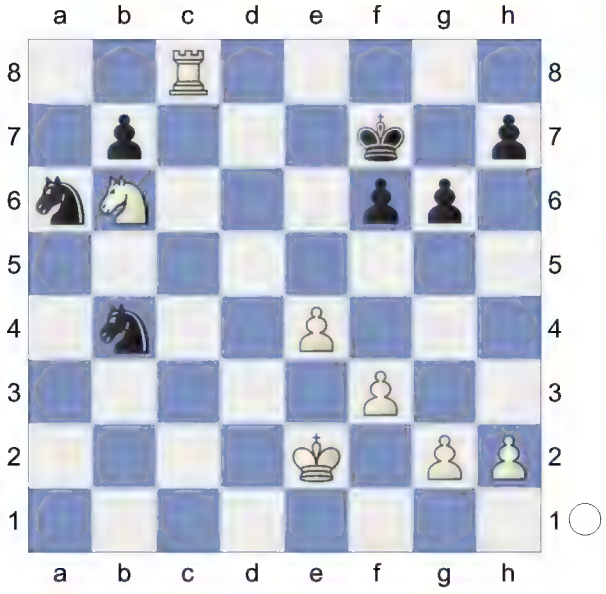


Black must now prevent Na4+. **24...g6?** 4.62/22 This move loses the game for Black.
[24...Rd8± 0.73/22]
25.Na4++- Kc6

(Diagram)



26.Rc1+ Kd7 27.Nb6+ Ke6 28.Ng7+ White is clearly winning. **28...Kf7 29.Nxe8 Kxe8 30.Rc8+ Kf7**



31.Nd5 Nxd5 32.exd5 Ke7 33.Kd3

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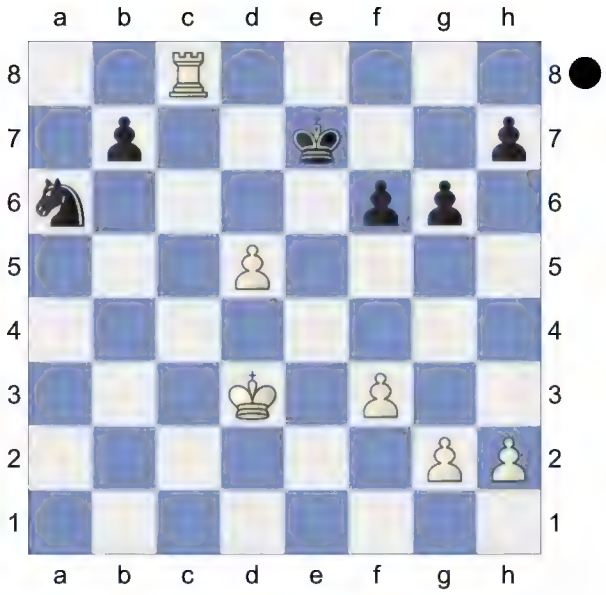

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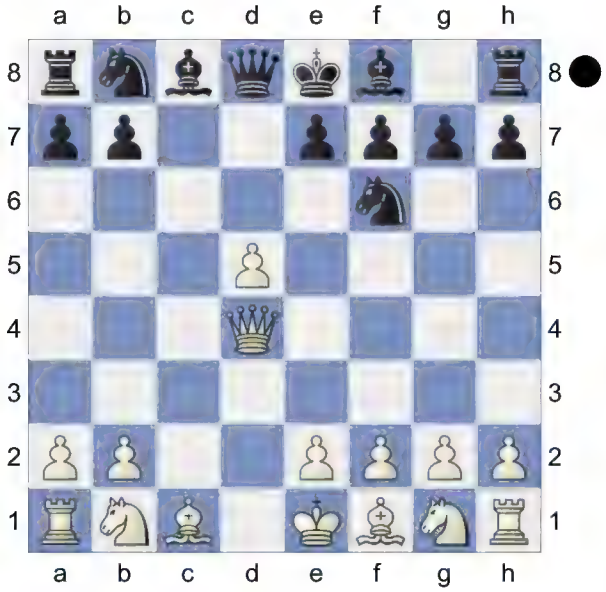
10 **A00**
□ **No-StockFish-Bots** **3008**
■ **ProteusSF-Aureo** **2964**
Blitz 09.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

A00: Irregular Openings **1.d3 d5 2.d4 c5 3.c4 cxd4 4.Qxd4 Nf6 5.cxd5**

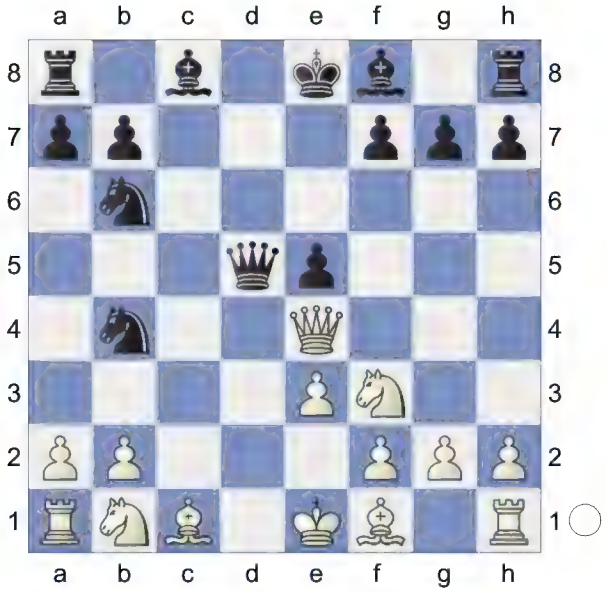


Nc6!

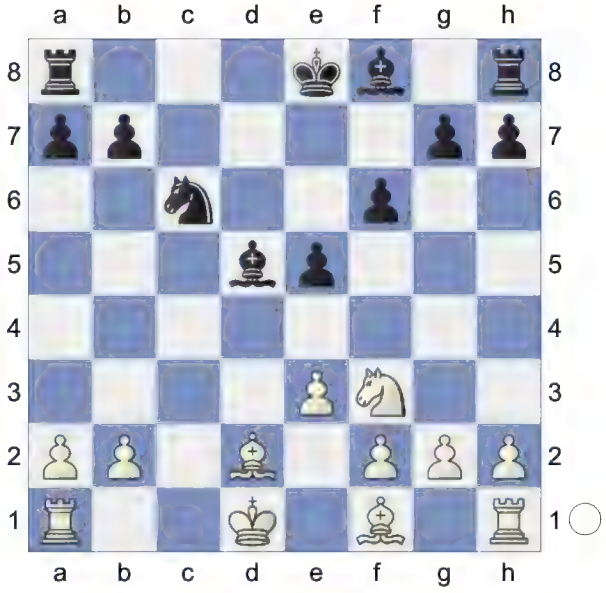
Pin, Deflection **6.Qa4 Nxd5 7.Nf3 Nb6 8.Qc2** Black has an edge. **8...Nb4 9.Qe4 e5 10.e3**

[Don't go for 10.Nxe5? f5 11.Qd3 Nxd3+-+]

10...Qd5



11.Qxd5 N6xd5 12.Kd1 Prevents Nc2. **12...Nc6 13.Bd2 f6 14.Nc3 Be6 15.Nxd5 Bxd5**



16.a3 e4 17.Ng1 Bd6 18.Ne2 Kf7 19.Ke1 f5 20.Nf4 Bb3

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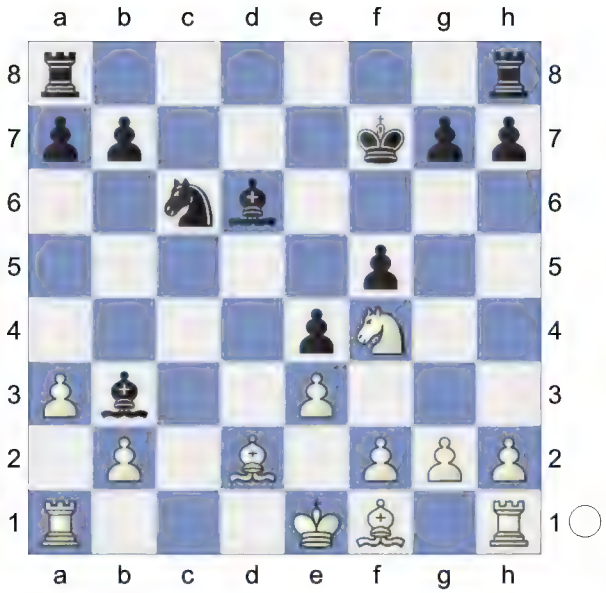
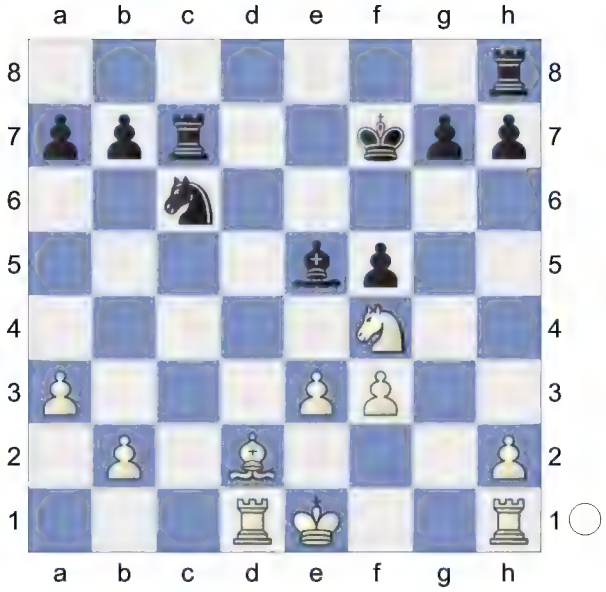


21.Be2 Rac8 22.Bd1 Bxd1 23.Rxd1 Be5 24.f3 exf3

[But not 24...Bxb2?! 25.Rb1 Bxa3 26.fxe4∓]

25.gxf3 Rc7



26.Nd3 Bf6 27.f4 Inhibits Ne5. **27...Ne7 28.Ke2 Nd5 29.Nb4 Nb6 30.b3 Rd8**

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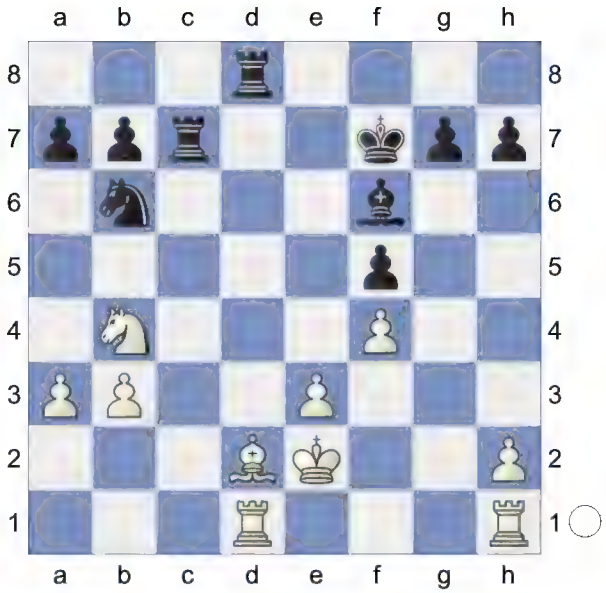
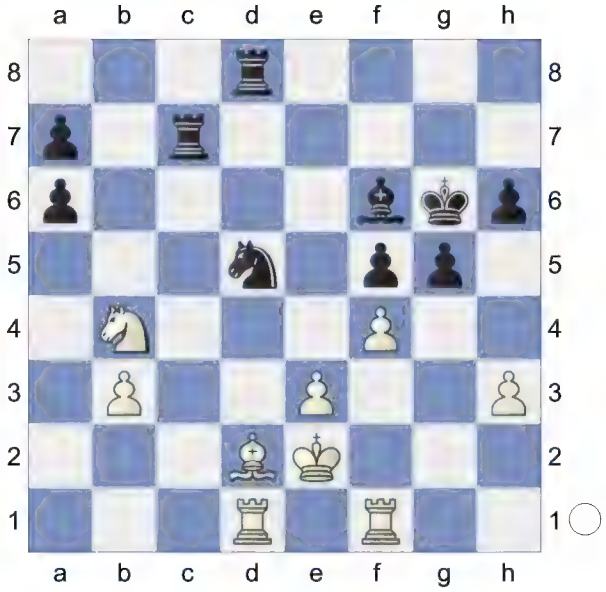


31.a4 h6 32.h3 g5 33.Rhf1 Kg6! 34.a5 Nd5 35.a6 bxa6

[35...Ne7 seems wilder. 36.Rc1 Rcd7 37.Rc2 bxa6 38.Nxa6 Nd5]



36.Nxd5 Rxd5 37.Rc1 Against Rc2 **37...Rcd7** -0.76/19

[Black should try 37...Rdc5! -1.17/21 38.Rxc5 Rxc5]

38.Bc3∓ Bd8 39.Bb4 Kh5 40.Rc6 Rf7

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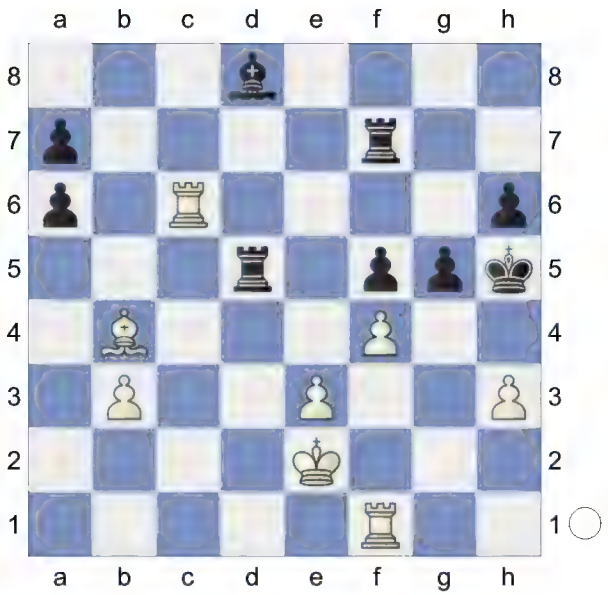
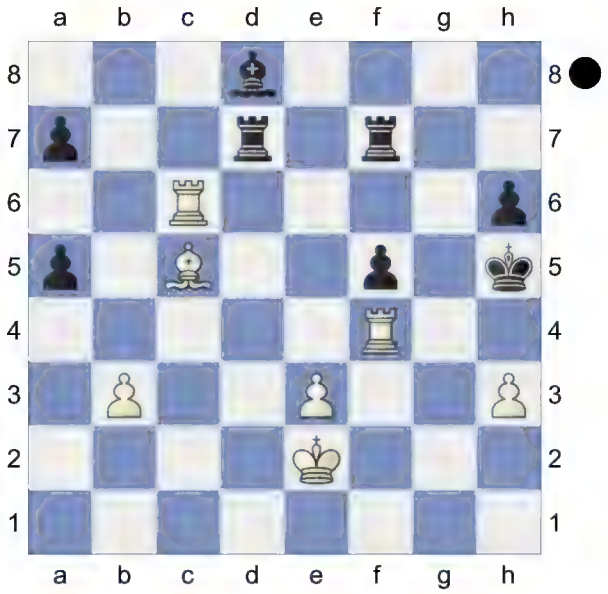


Inhibits Bf8. **41.Bc5** Prevents Bb6. **41...a5 42.Rc1 Rdd7 43.Rf1 gxf4 44.Rxf4**



Rb7! 45.b4 Bg5

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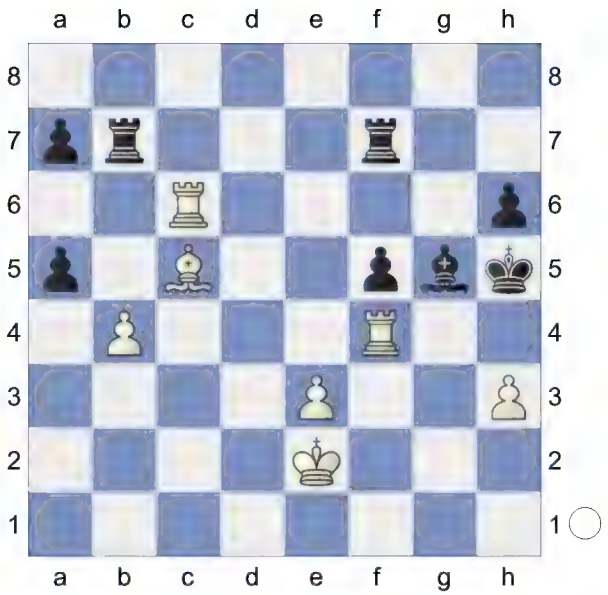
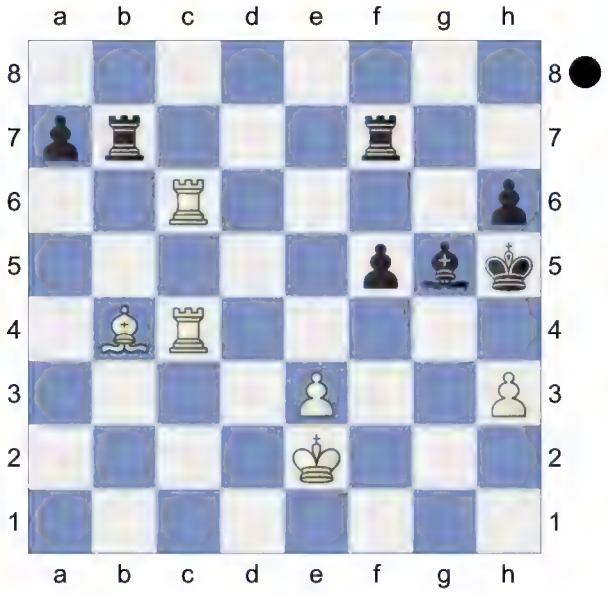


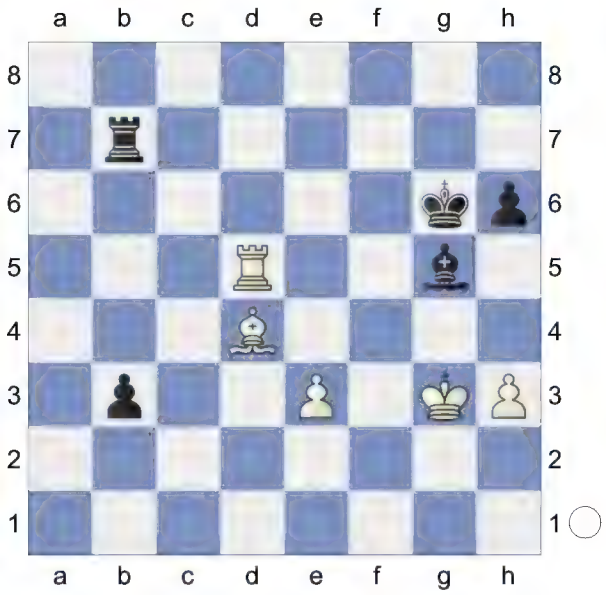
46.Rc4 axb4 47.Bxb4



Rb6 -0.62/20
[47...Rb5!∓ -1.03/20 Hoping for ... Re5. 48.Re6 Rf6 49.Rxf6 Bxf6]
48.Rxb6∓ axb6 Endgame KRB-KRB
49.Kf3 Rd7 ...Rd3 is the strong threat.
50.Bc3 Re7 -0.39/22
[50...Rd3∓ -0.87/23 51.Bd4 Rb3]

(Diagram)

51.Bd4 Rb7 52.Kg3 b5 53.Rc5 b4 54.Rxf5 Kg6 55.Rd5 b3



aiming for ...b2. **56.Bb2 Bxe3 57.h4 Bg1 58.Kg2 Ba7 59.Kf3 Bb8 60.Ra5 Bc7** -0.01/25

[60...Rb6∓ -0.41/22]

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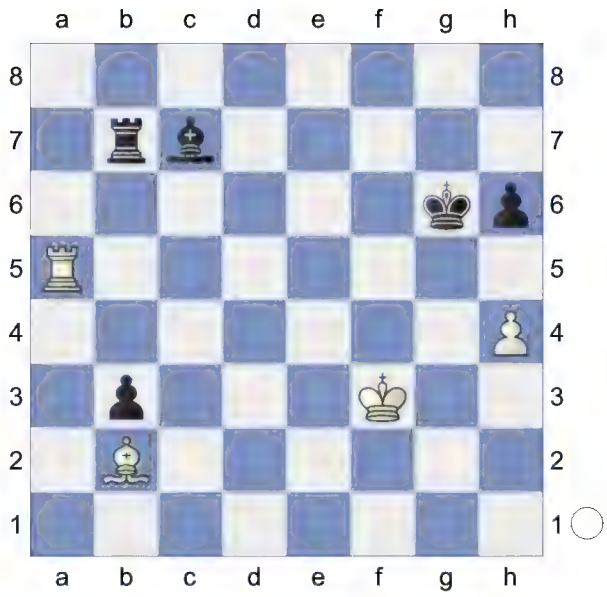
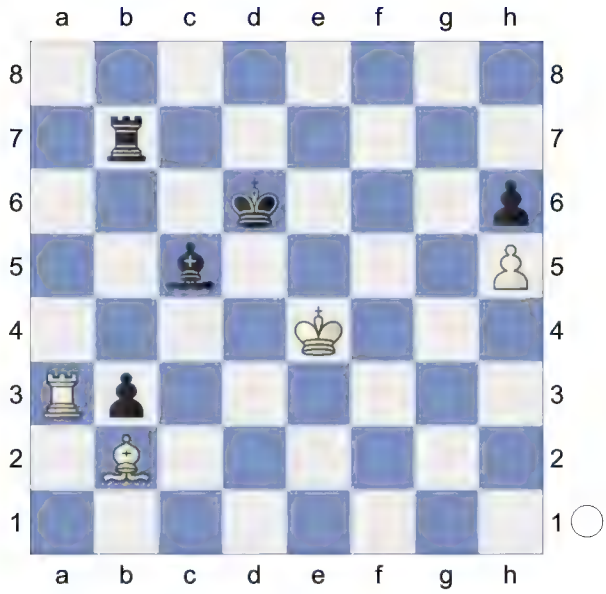


61.h5+= The position is equal. **61...Kf7 62.Ra6! Bb6 63.Kf4 Ke6** Black wants to play ...Kd5. **64.Ke4! Kd6** White should prevent ...Kc5. **65.Ra3! Bc5**



66.Ra6+ Bb6 67.Ra3 Bd8 68.Ra6+ Bb6

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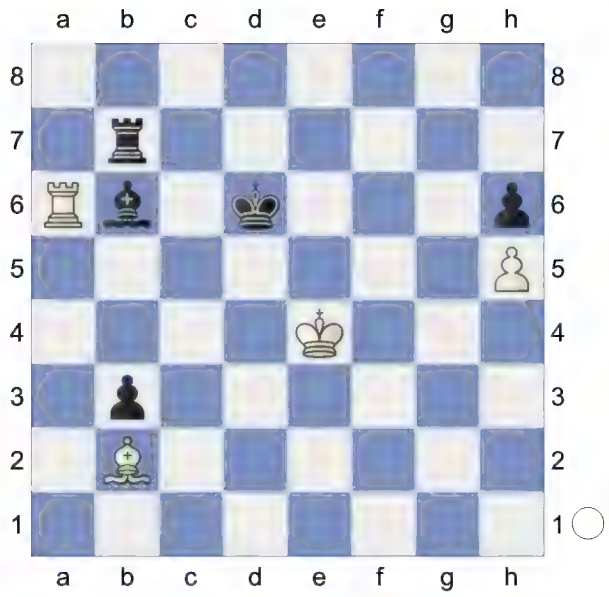

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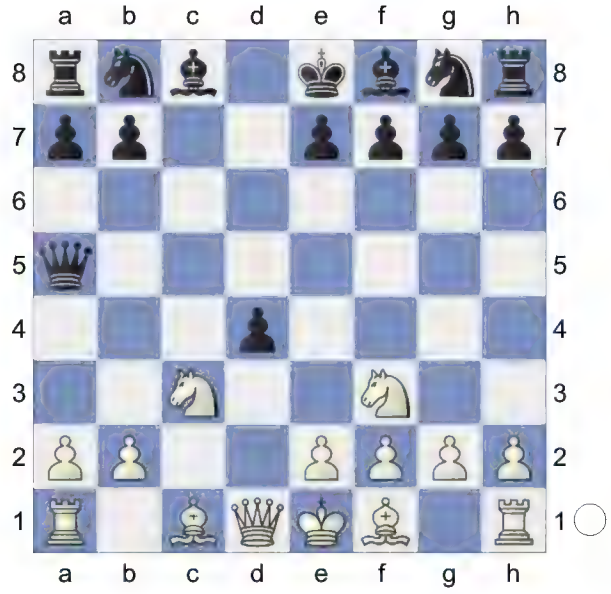
11 **D06**
□ **Mr-Chess-Berserk** **3004**
■ **motorrijder** **2985**
Blitz 02.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**



6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.Nb3
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

7...Qh5 8.g3N White has an edge.
[8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 Brandics,J (2550)-N,N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 37.hxg5 Kc8 Nimzowitsch,A (2550)-Giersing,J Copenhagen 1924 [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] 1-0 (68) 38.Ke4 Rf7 39.R3b2 Kc7 40.Rh2 Ree7 41.Rd1 Re8 42.Rhd2 Rg7 43.Nb3 Ba3 44.Rd5 Rf7 45.Nd4 Kc8 46.Nc2 Bf8 47.R1d4 Bc5 48.Rc4 Ref8 49.Kf3 Rd7 50.Rxd7 Kxd7 51.Nb4 a5 52.Ke4 axb4 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
8...e6 9.Bg2 Be7 10.0-0 0-0

(Diagram)

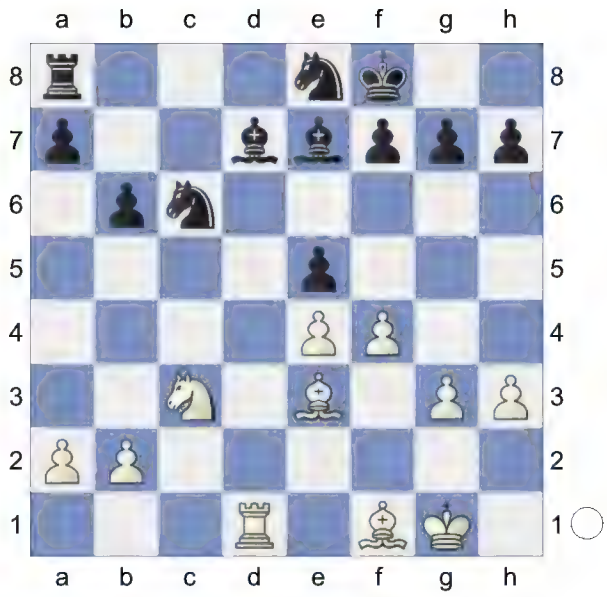
11.e4! Qxd1 12.Rxd1 Nc6 13.h3 Rd8 14.Be3 Kf8 15.Rxd8+ Bxd8

16.Rd1 e5 17.f4 Ne8 18.Nc5 Be7 19.Bf1 0.47/18 &Bianco is much more active.

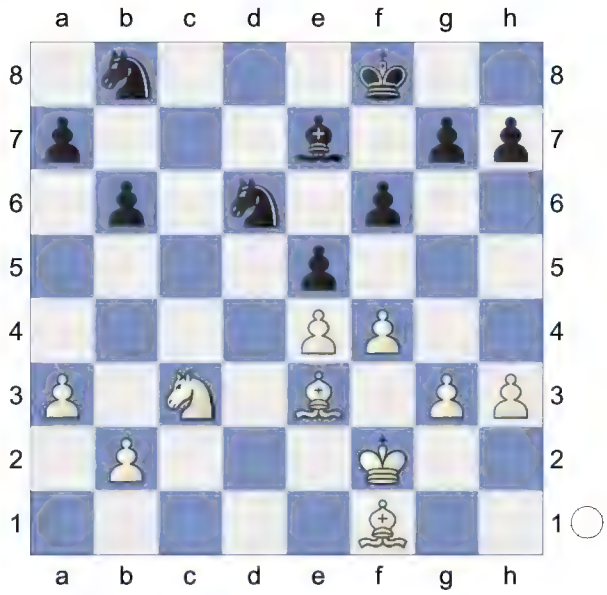
[19.Nd7+± 0.78/17 Bxd7 20.Rxd7]

19...b6 20.Nd7+ Bxd7

(Diagram)



21.Rxd7 Rd8 22.Rb7 Rb8 23.Rxb8 Nxb8 24.Kf2 f6 25.a3 Nd6



26.Bd3 Nc6 27.Kg2 Na5 28.Kf3 Ndc4 1.05/22

[Black should play 28...g6 0.71/17]

29.Bc1 And now b4 would win. **29...Nd6 30.b4 Nc6**

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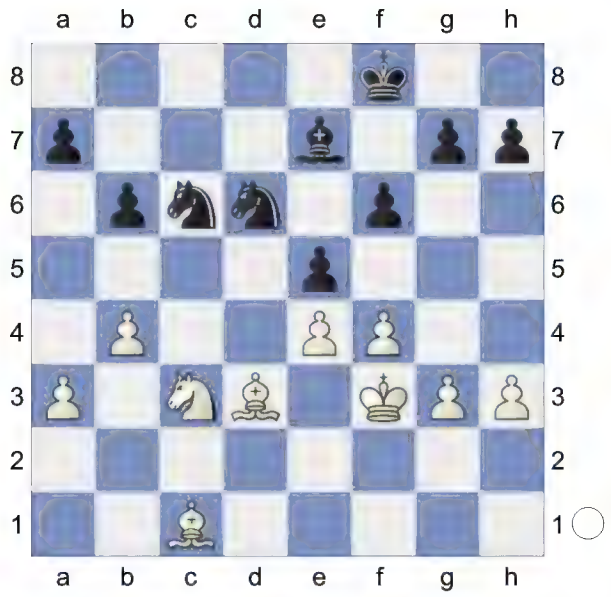
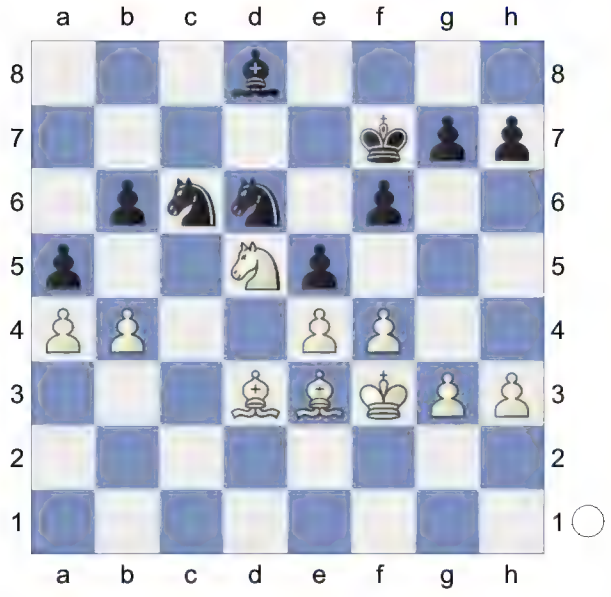


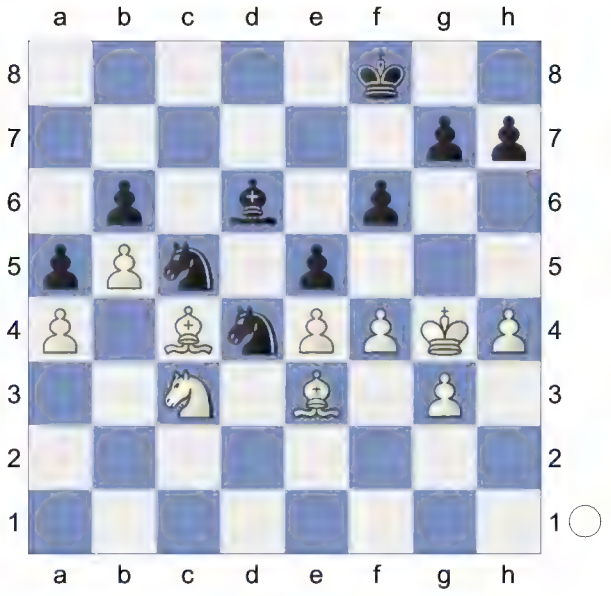
31.Be3 Kf7 32.Nd5 Bd8 33.Nc3 0.01/19
[33.f5± 0.59/19]
33...Be7!= 34.Nd5 -0.01/18
[34.f5± 1.00/19]
34...Bd8! 35.a4 a5



36.b5 Nd4+ 37.Kg4 Nb7 38.h4 Nc5 39.Bc4 Kf8 40.Nc3! Be7

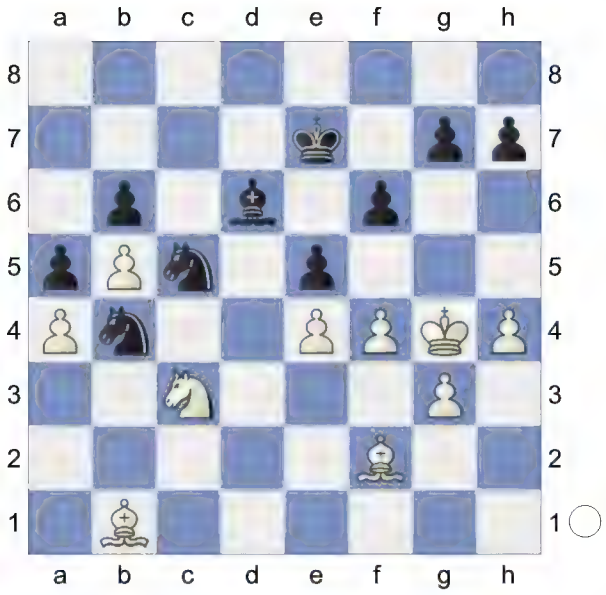
(Diagram)

41.Bg1 Bd6 42.Bf2 Be7 43.Kh3 Bd6 44.Kg4 0.01/21
[44.Kg2± 0.52/20]
44...Be7! 45.Be3 Bd6

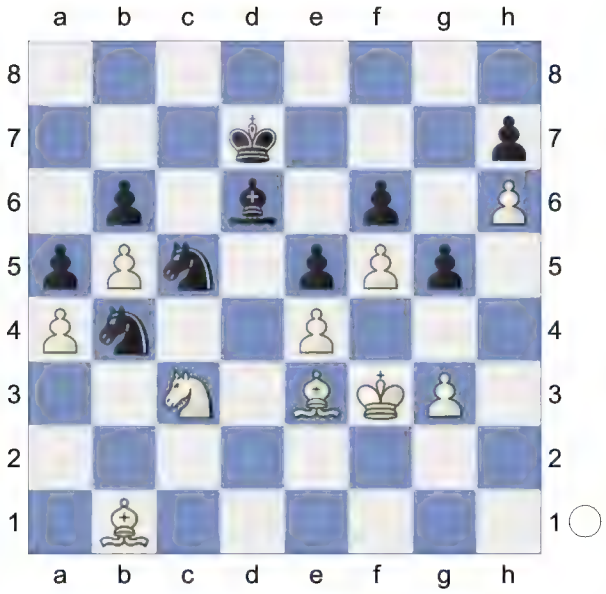


46.Bg1
[46.h5!?]
46...Be7 1.00/22
[46...g6± 0.58/22 feels stronger.]
47.Be3 -0.01/20
[47.fxe5± 1.00/22 fxe5 48.Kh5]
47...Bd6! 48.Ba2 Nc2 49.Bf2 Nb4 50.Bb1 Ke7

(Diagram)



51.h5 Ke8 52.Be3
[52.h6!?]
52...Ke7 53.h6 g6 54.Kf3 Kd7 55.f5 g5



56.Bc1 Ke8 57.Ba3 Be7 58.g4 Nd7 59.Ke2 Bc5 60.Kf1 Be7

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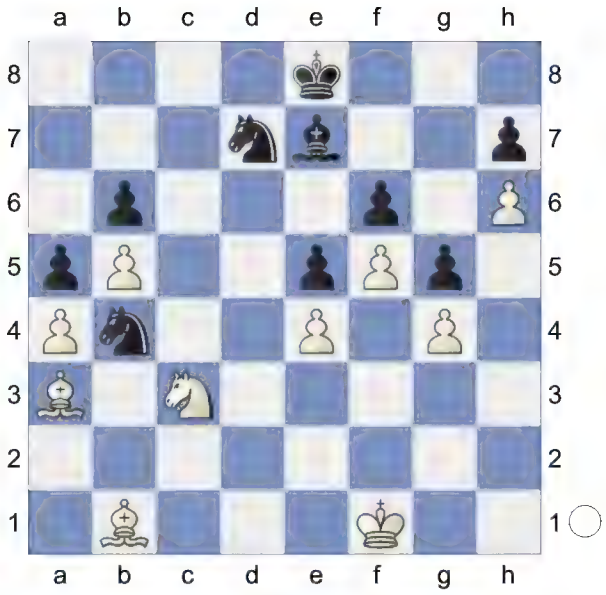
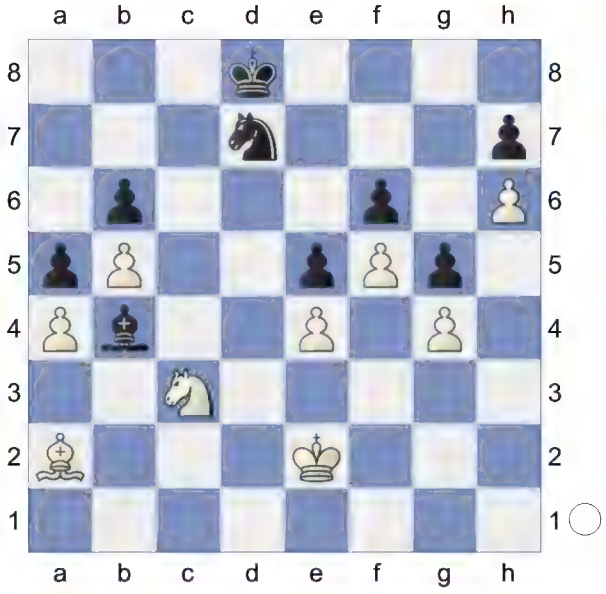


61.Ke2 Bc5 62.Bxb4 Bxb4
Endgame KBN-KBN **63.Nd5 Kd8 64.Ba2 Bf8 65.Nc3 Bb4**



66.Nd5 Bf8 67.Nc3 Nc5 0.33/27
[67...Bb4= 0.01/26 68.Nd5]
68.Bg8± Bxh6 69.Bxh7 Bf8 70.Bg8 Be7

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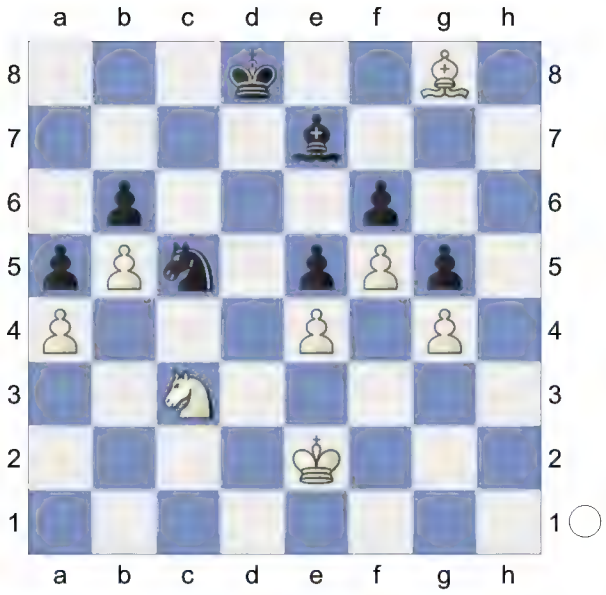
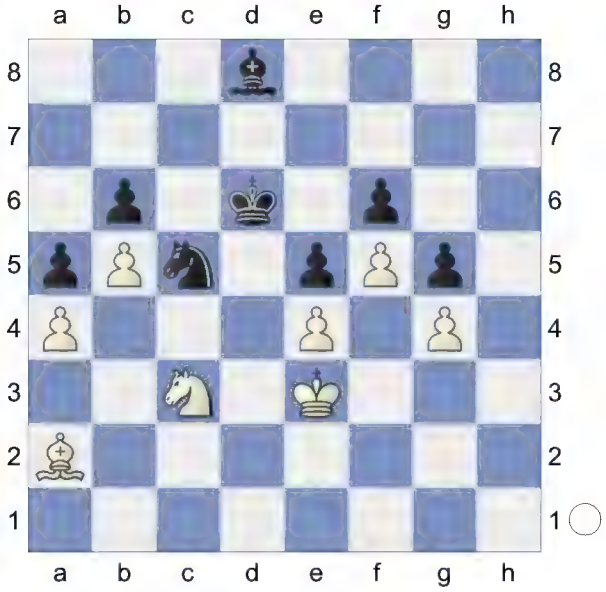
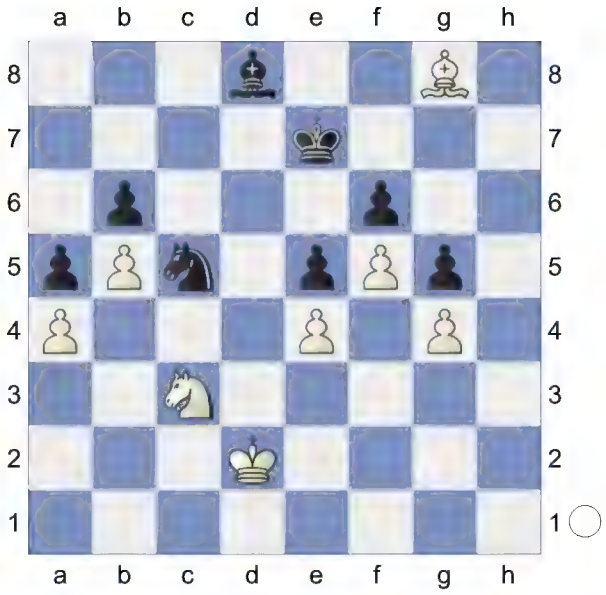


71.Ke3 Kc8 72.Nd5 Bd8 73.Be6+ Kb8 74.Nc3 Kc7 75.Ba2 Kd6

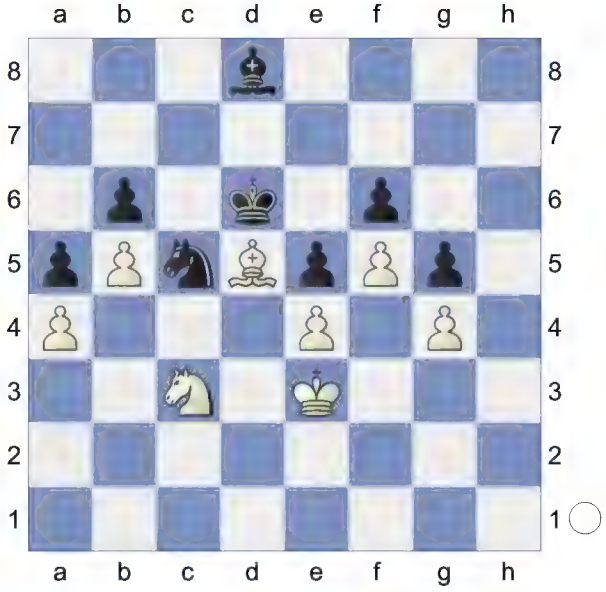


76.Bc4 Kd7 77.Be6+ -0.01/34
[⌓77.Be2 0.30/31]
77...Kd6 0.30/32
[⌓77...Kc7 -0.01/34]
78.Kd2 Be7 0.37/29
[78...Nxe6= 0.01/34 79.fxe6 Ke7]
79.Bd5 Bd8 80.Bg8 Ke7

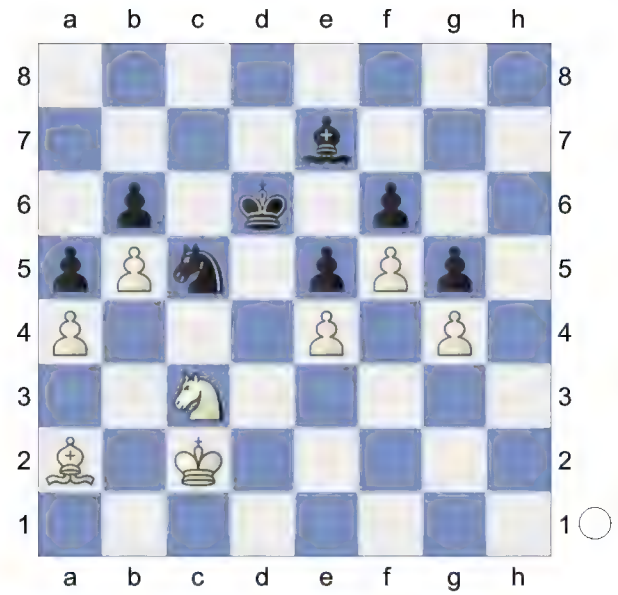
(Diagram)



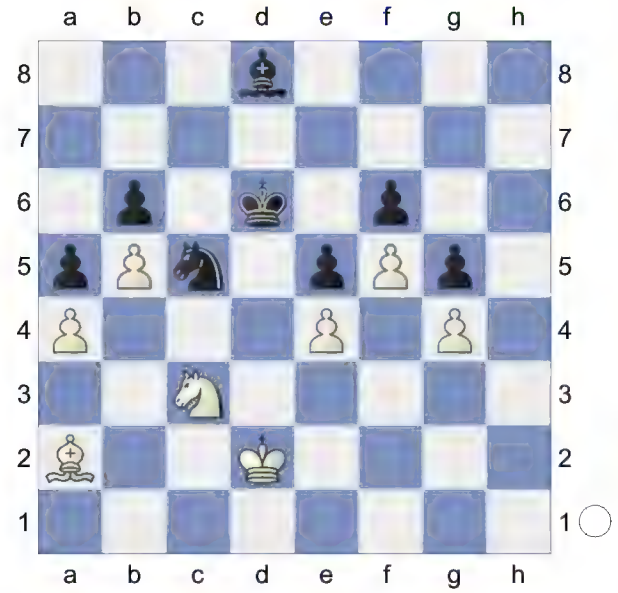
81.Ke2 Kd6 82.Ba2 Kd7 83.Be6+ 0.01/34
[83.Bc4± 0.38/33]
83...Kd6 0.46/32
[83...Nxe6= 0.01/34
is more appropriate. 84.fxe6+ Ke7]
84.Bd5 Be7 85.Ke3 Bd8



86.Ba2 Be7 87.Kd2 Kd7 88.Kc2 Kd8 89.Bc4 Kd7 90.Ba2 -0.01/29
[90.Kd2± 0.69/29]
90...Kd6 0.46/27
[90...Kd8!= -0.01/29]

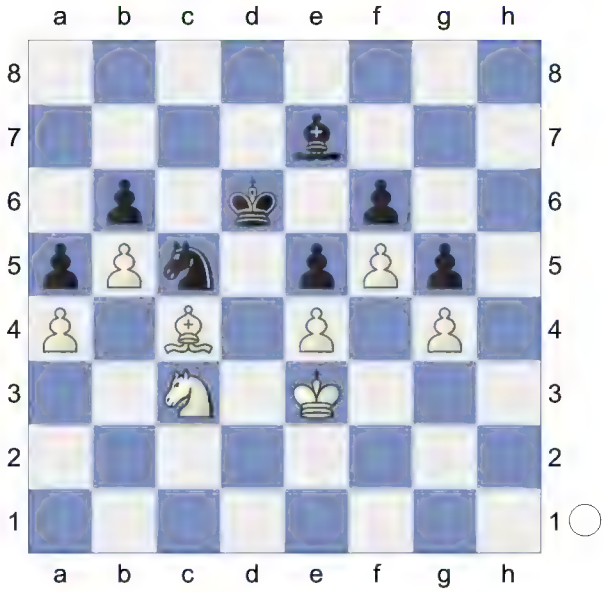


91.Bd5 Bd8 92.Kd2 Bc7 93.Ba2 Bd8 94.Bd5 0.01/30
[94.Bf7± 0.36/30]
94...Be7 95.Ba2 Bd8 0.35/31
[95...Kd7= 0.01/32 was preferrable.]

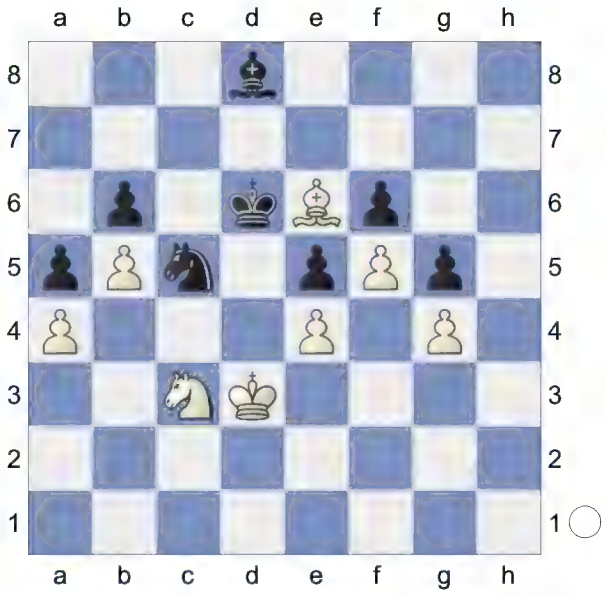


96.Bc4 Nb7 97.Bd5 -0.01/30
[97.Bd3± 0.40/32]
97...Nc5= 98.Bc4 0.01/29
[98.Ba2± 0.34/31 deserves consideration.]
98...Nb7! 99.Kd3 Nc5+ 100.Ke3 Be7 0.56/29

[Better is 100...Kd7!= 0.01/29]



101.Ke2 0.01/29
[101.Bd3± 0.56/29]
101...Nb7 0.62/30
[Black should try 101...Bd8= 0.01/29]
102.Be6 0.01/32
[102.Bd3± 0.62/30]
102...Nc5 The position is equal. **103.Ke3 Bd8 104.Kd2 Nb7 105.Kd3 Nc5+**



106.Kc4 Be7 107.Bg8 Bd8 108.Bd5 Kd7 109.Be6+ Kd6 110.Bd5 Bc7
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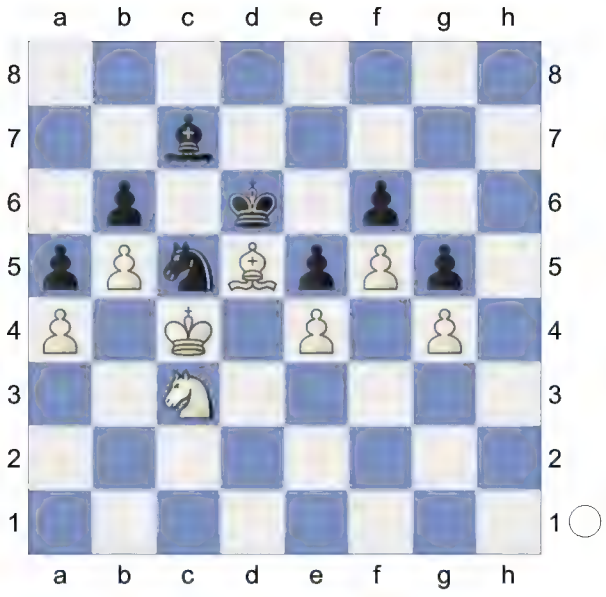

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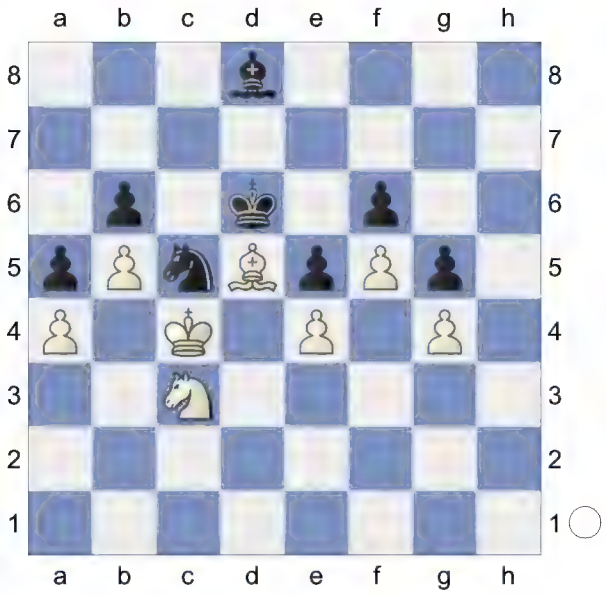

116.Be6 Be7 117.Bd5 Bd8 118.Bc6 Ke7 119.Kd5

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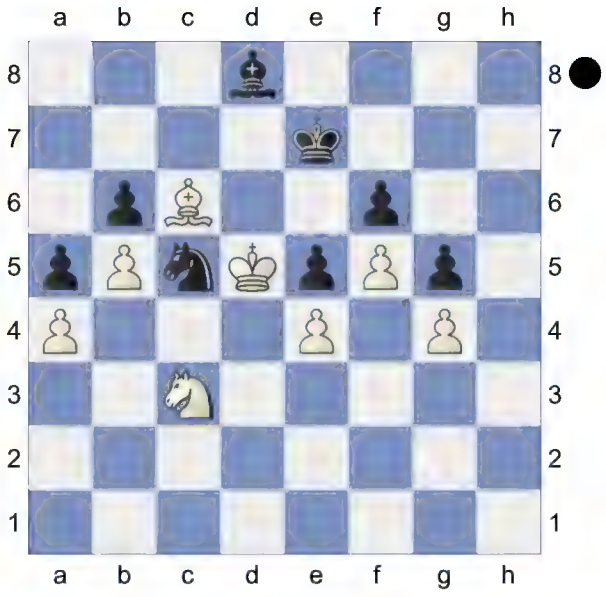

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12 **D06**
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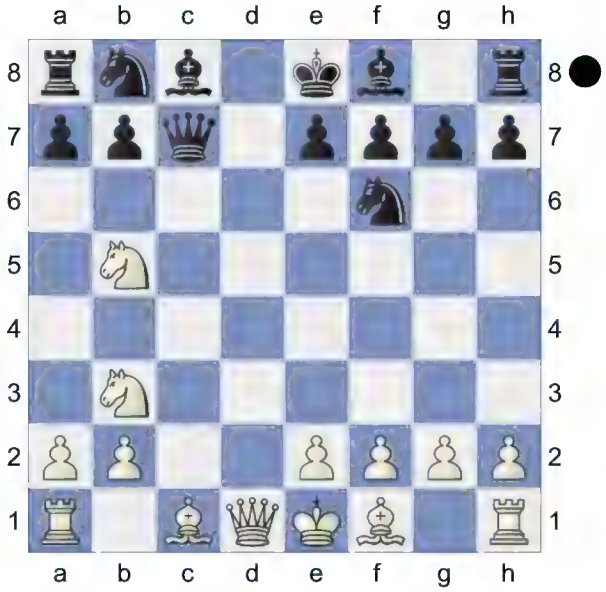
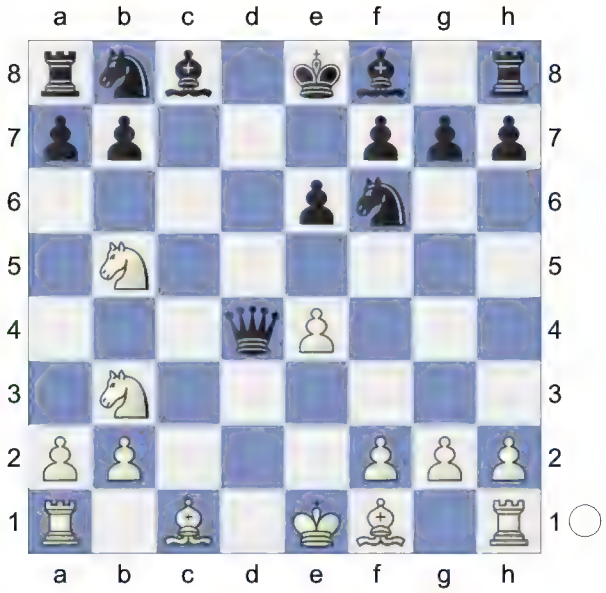
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Prevents e4. **7.Nb3**
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

7...Qc7 8.Nb5N
[8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5 Bb3 Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)]



White is slightly better. **8...Qe5 9.e4 e6**
[9...Nxe4? 10.f4 Nc3+ 11.fxe5+-]
10.Qd4 Qxd4



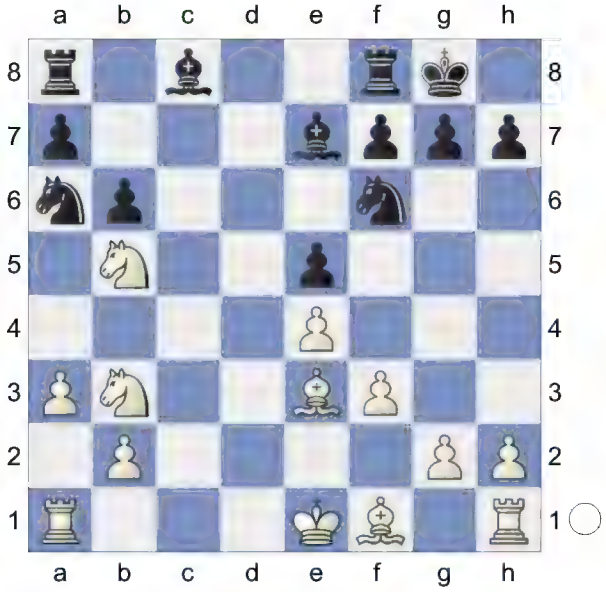
11.N3xd4 Na6 Against Nc7+

[11...Bb4+ looks sharper. 12.Bd2 Bxd2+ 13.Kxd2 Ke7]

12.f3 e5 13.Nb3 Be7 14.Be3 0-0 15.a3

[But not 15.Bxa7 Bd7 16.Bb6 Nb4∓]

15...b6



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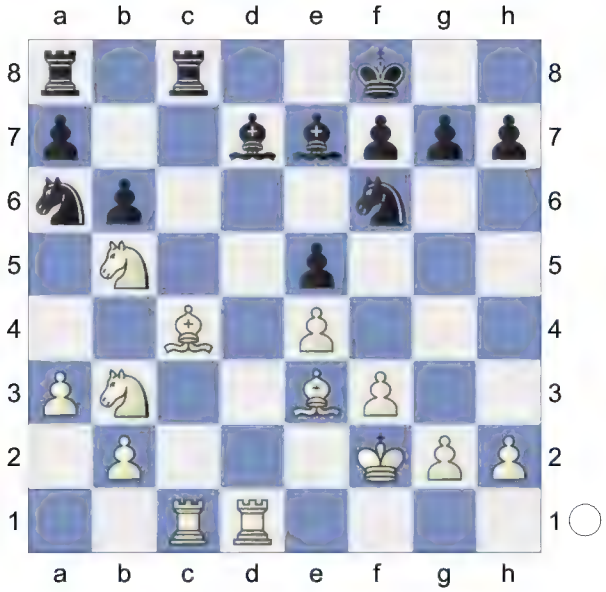

Strongly threatening ...Rxc4! **20.Nd6** &Bianco is more active. **20...Bxd6**

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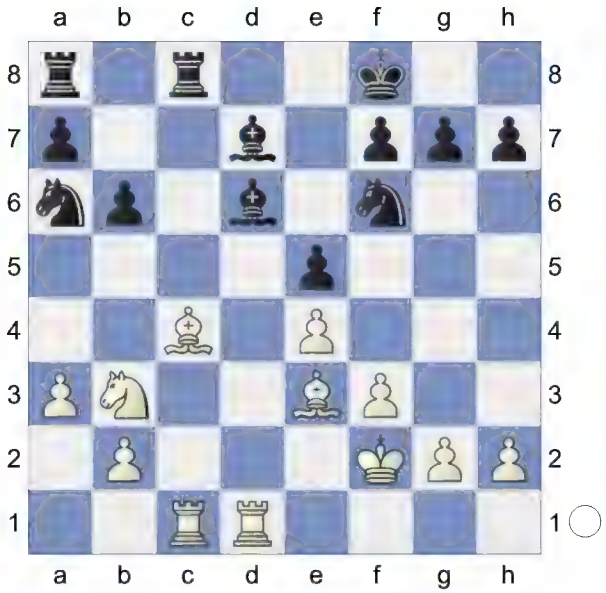
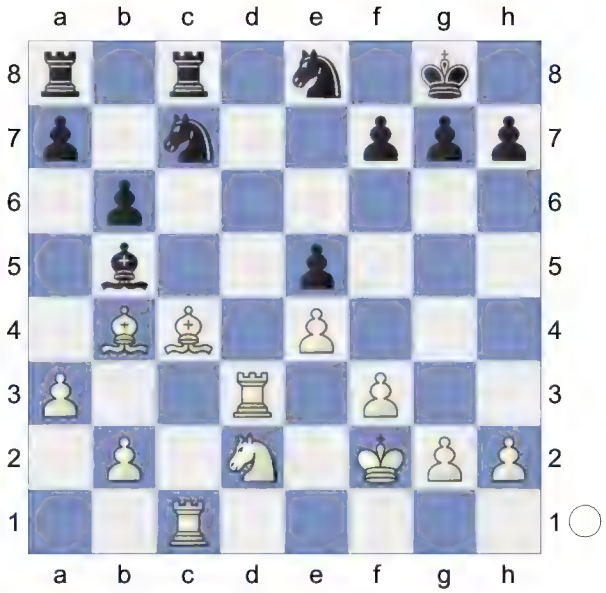


21.Rxd6 Nc7 22.Bd2

[22.Rd3 keeps more tension. Ke7 23.h3 Ne6 24.Ba6]

22...Ba4 23.Bb4 This bishop pair is nice. **23...Kg8 24.Nd2 Nfe8 25.Rd3 Bb5**



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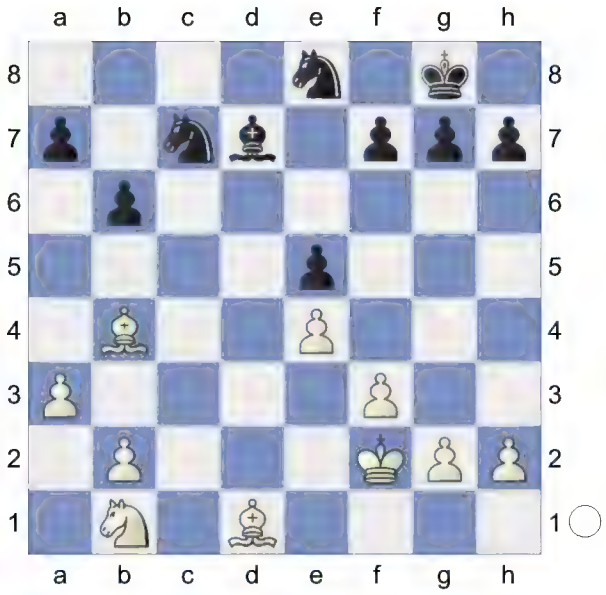

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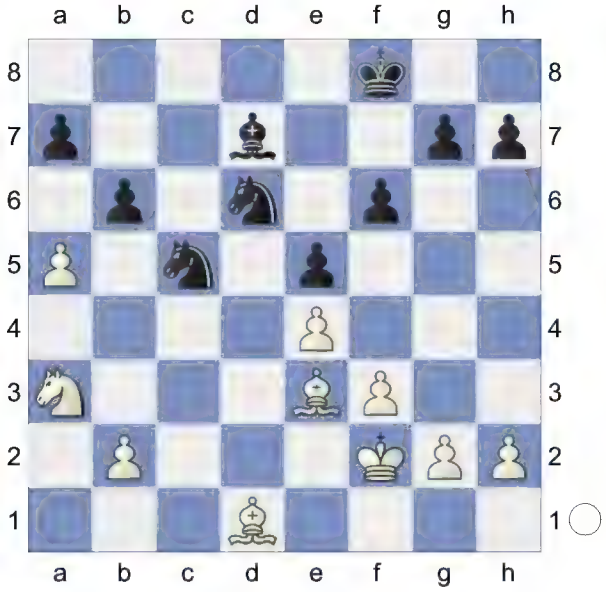

36.Be2 Against Nd3+ **36...Be6 37.b4 Nd7 38.Ke1** 0.81/21
[⌓38.g4 1.12/21]
38...Ke7± 39.Kd2 Kd8 40.Kc3 Kc7

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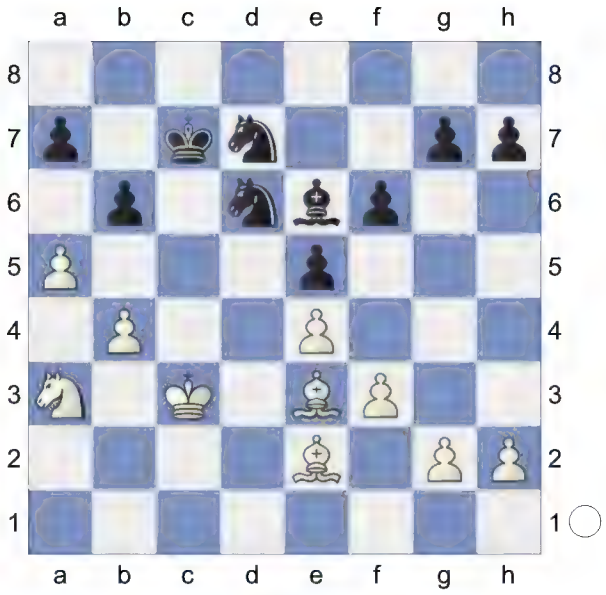
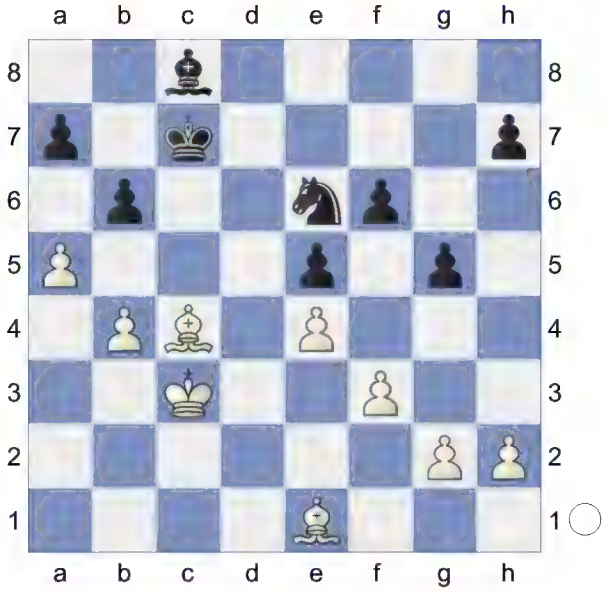


41.Bd2 Nf8 42.Be1 g5 43.Nb5+ Nxb5+ 44.Bxb5± Endgame KBB-KBN
44...Bc8 45.Bc4 Ne6



46.Bf2 Nd8 47.Kd3 0.01/22
[47.b5± 0.81/20]
47...h6 0.54/21
[47...Nb7!= 0.01/22]
48.Be1 0.06/19
[48.a6± 0.54/21 should be considered.]
48...Nb7= 49.Ke3 Nd6 50.Bb3 Ba6

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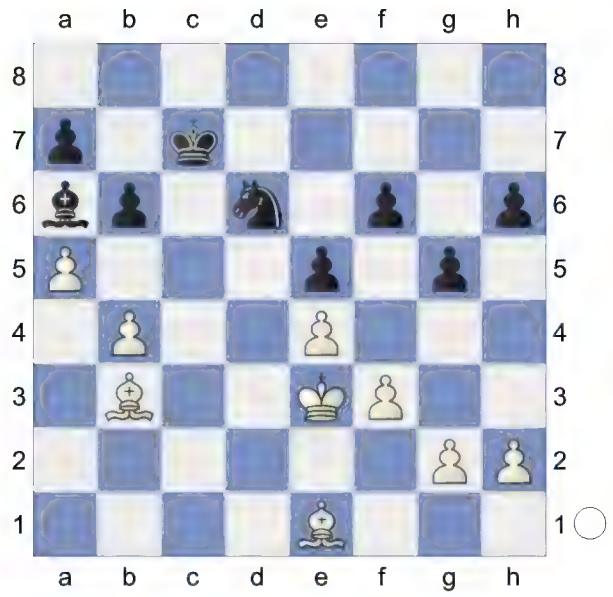

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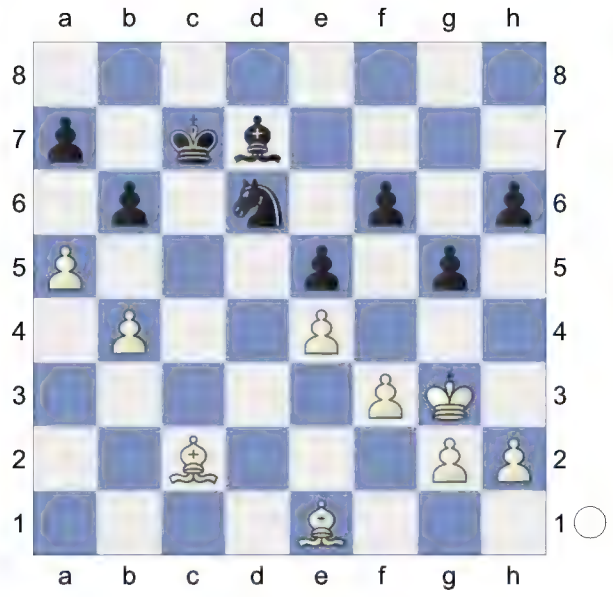

56.Bd1 Kb7 57.Bc2 Kc7 58.h4 Kb7 59.Bd1 Kc7 60.Bd2 Kb7

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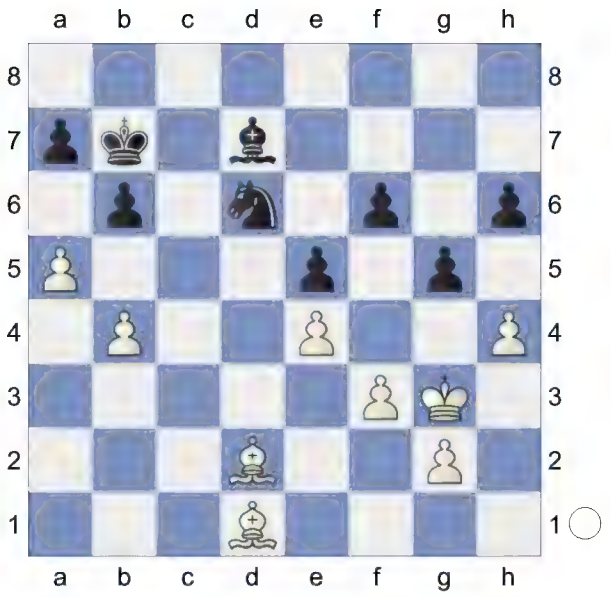
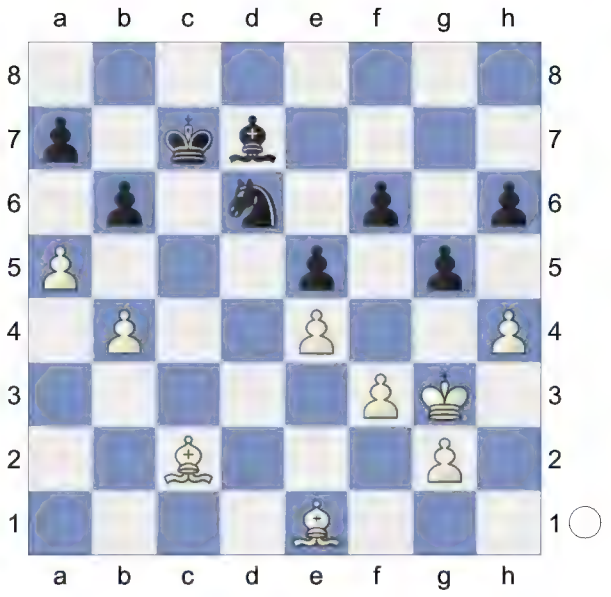


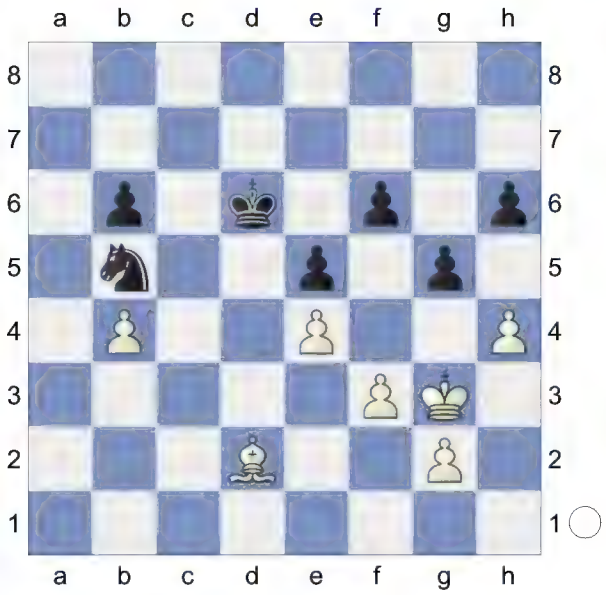
61.Be1 Kc7 62.Bb3 Kb7 63.Bc2 Kc7 64.Bd1 Kb7 65.Bc2 Kc7



66.Bd1 Kb7 67.axb6 axb6 68.Bc2 Kc7 69.Bb3 Nb5 70.Bc4 Nd4

(Diagram)

71.Bd3 Be6 72.Kf2 Bd7 73.Bd2 Bb5 74.Bxb5 Nxb5 KB-KN **75.Kg3 Kd6**



76.Be3 Nd4 77.Kg4 b5! 78.g3 The position is equal. **78...Nc2! 79.Bd2** next f4 is good for White. **79...Nd4 80.Be3** And now f4 would win.

[80.h5!?]

80...Nc2!

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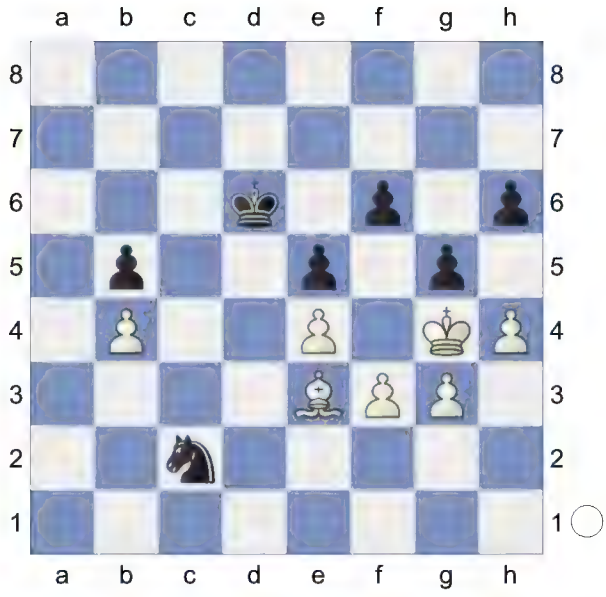
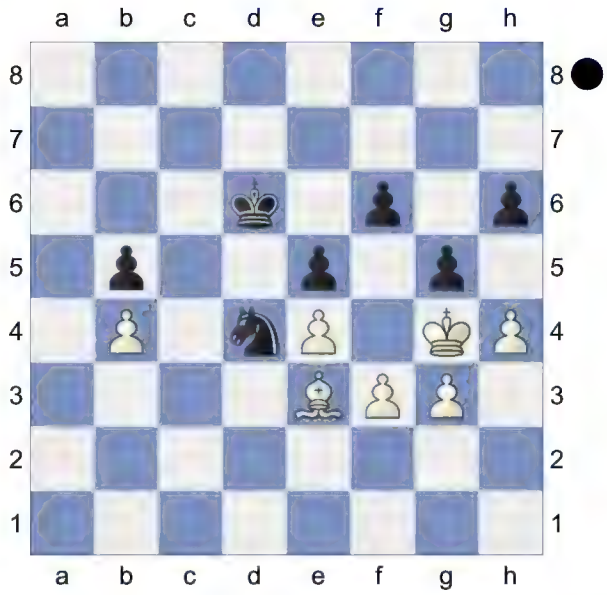


81.Bd2 With the idea f4. **81...Nd4 82.Be3**



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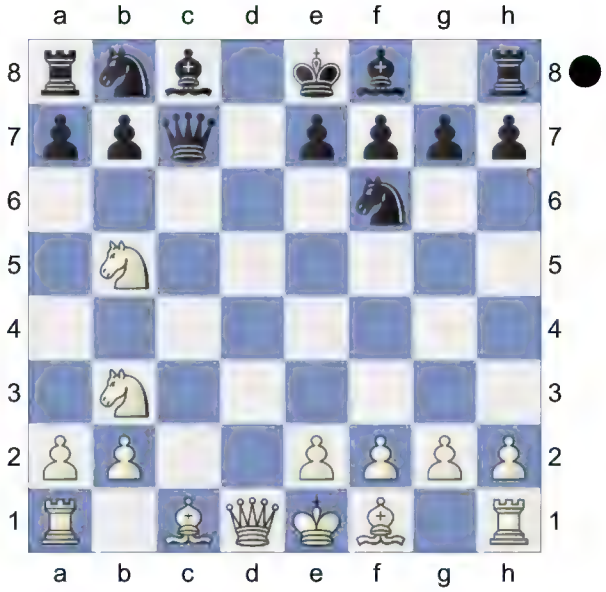
½-½

13 **D06**
□ **Mr-Chess-Berserk** **3000**
■ **motorrijder** **3008**
Blitz 03.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

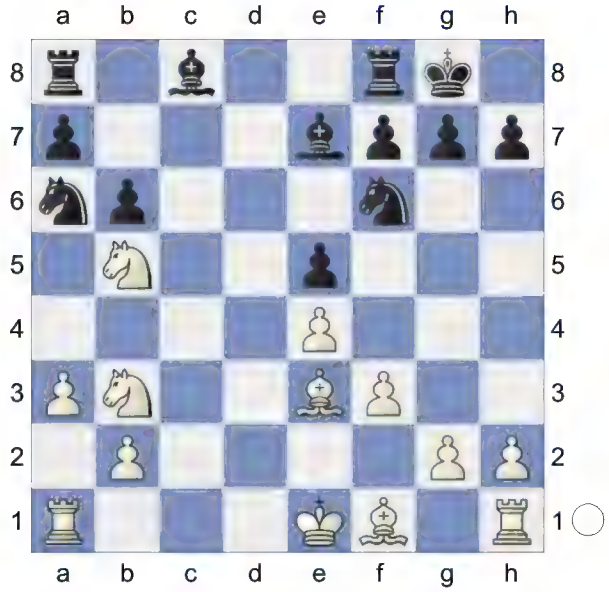
6.Nxd4 Nf6 Inhibits e4. **7.Nb3**
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

7...Qc7 8.Nb5N
[8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5 Bb3 Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)]

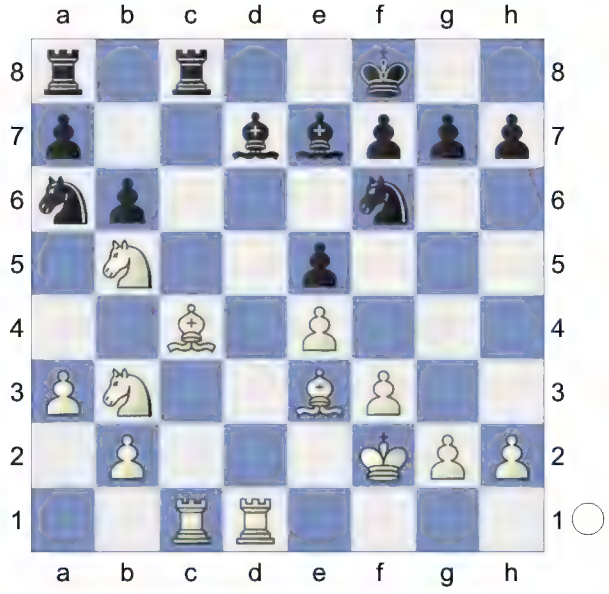


White has an edge. **8...Qe5 9.e4 e6**
[9...Nxe4? 10.f4 Qd6 11.Nxd6++-]
[9...Qxe4+ 10.Be2 Na6 11.0-0±]
10.Qd4 Qxd4

11.N3xd4 Black must now prevent Nc7+. **11...Na6** Against Nc7+ **12.f3 e5 13.Nb3 Be7 14.Be3 0-0 15.a3** 0.16/21
[15.Bxa7 Bd7 16.Bb6 Nb4=]
[15.0-0-0± 0.53/19]
15...b6 0.57/20
[15...Be6= 0.16/21 feels stronger. 16.Na5 Bc5]

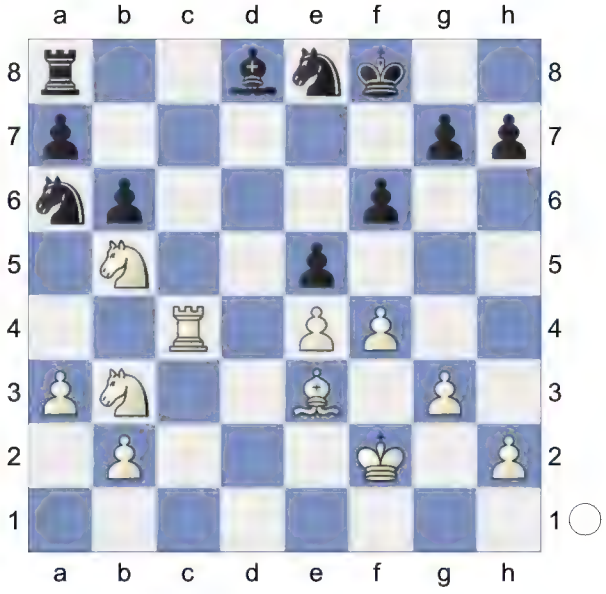


16.Rc1± Bd7 17.Kf2 Rfd8 18.Bc4 Kf8 19.Rhd1 Rdc8



And now ...Rxc4! would win. **20.Be2 Rxc1**

21.Rxc1 Ne8 22.g3 f6 23.f4 Be6 24.Bc4 Bxc4 25.Rxc4 Bd8



26.Ra4 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. **26...Nec7 27.Nc3 Nb8 28.h4 Nc6 29.Rc4 Ne7 30.Nd2 Ne8**

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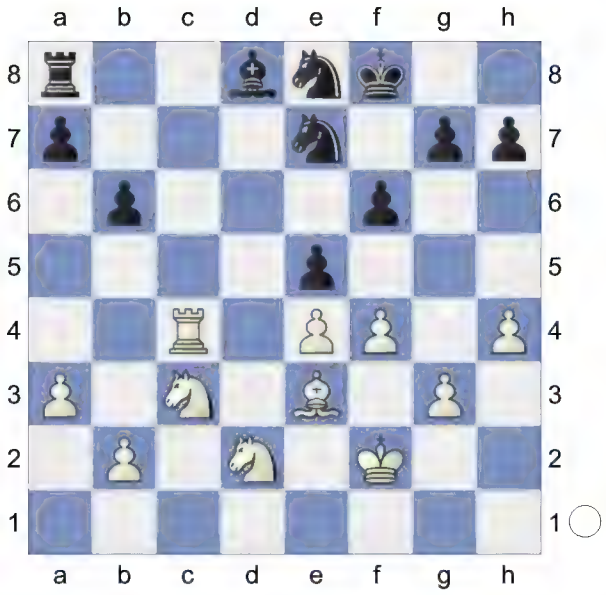
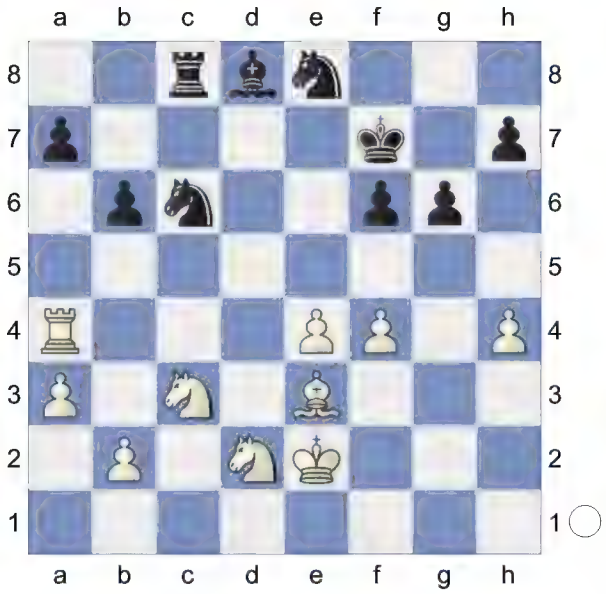
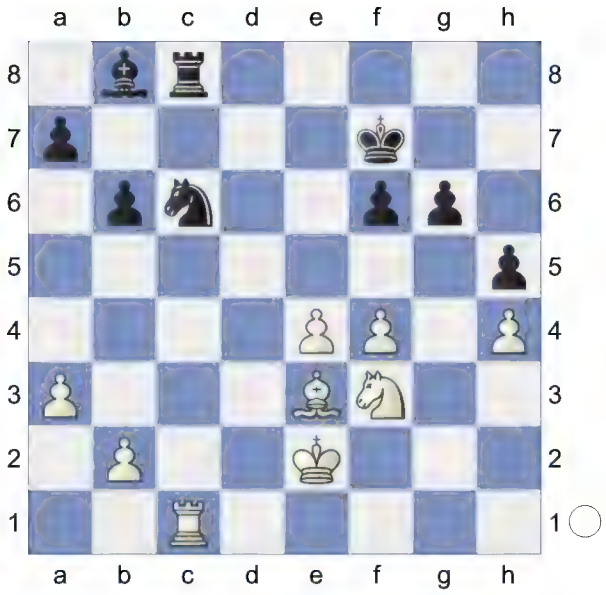


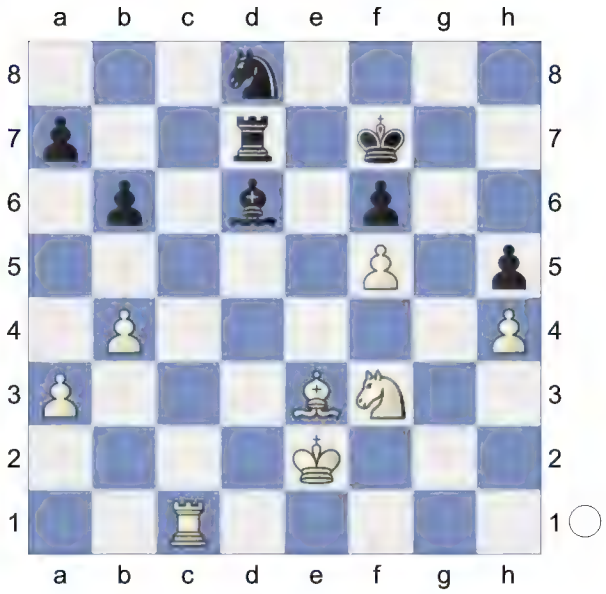
31.Ra4 Nc6 32.Nd5 Hoping for Nxb6!
[32.Nc4 is interesting. Nc7 33.Nd6 Ke7 34.Ncb5]
32...exf4 33.gxf4 aiming for Nxb6!
33...Rc8 34.Ke2 Kf7 35.Nc3 g6



36.Nb5 Bc7 37.Nf3
[Much weaker is 37.Nxa7 Ra8 38.Nxc6 Rxa4∓]
37...Nd6 38.Nxd6+
[Don't play 38.Nxa7 Ra8 39.e5 Nc8 40.Nxc6 *(40.e6+? Kxe6 41.Re4+ Kf5-+)* 40...Rxa4∓]
38...Bxd6 39.Rc4 h5 40.Rc1 Bb8

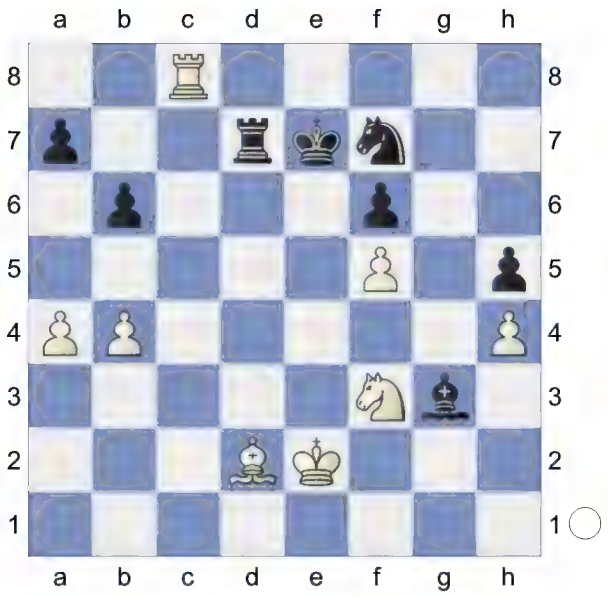


41.Kd3 -0.01/23
[41.b3± 0.39/20]
41...Rc7 42.b4 Rd7+ 0.50/21
[42...b5= 0.10/21 was preferrable.]
43.Ke2 Nd8 44.f5 gxf5 45.exf5 Bd6

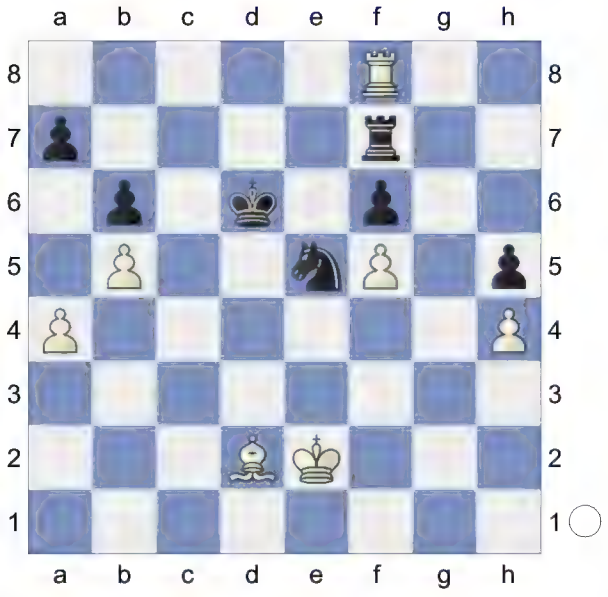


46.Rc8 Ke7 47.Ra8 Kf7 0.56/19
[47...Nf7= 0.01/22]
48.Rc8 0.01/17
[48.Kf2± 0.56/19]
48...Ke7!= 49.Bd2 Nf7 50.a4 Bg3

(Diagram)



51.Rg8 Bd6 52.Ra8 0.01/19
[52.Rg6± 0.40/21 should be considered.]
52...Be5 The position is equal. **53.Nxe5 Nxe5** Endgame KRB-KRN **54.b5 Kd6! 55.Rf8 Rf7**



56.Rxf7 Nxf7 57.Bc3! Nh6 58.Bxf6 Nxf5 59.Kd2

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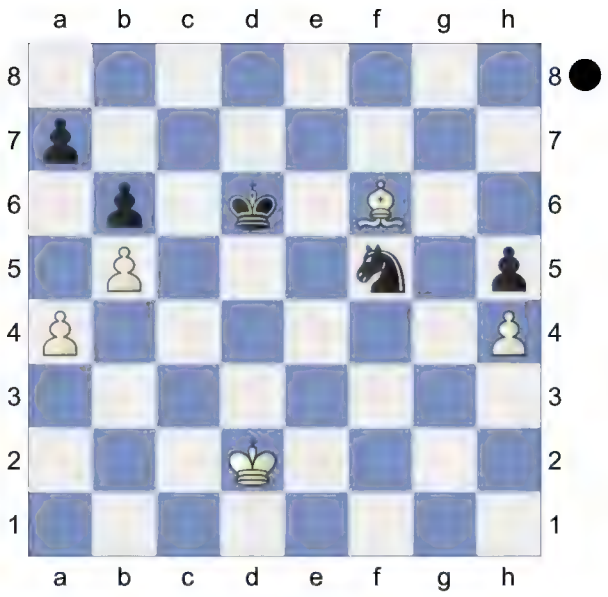

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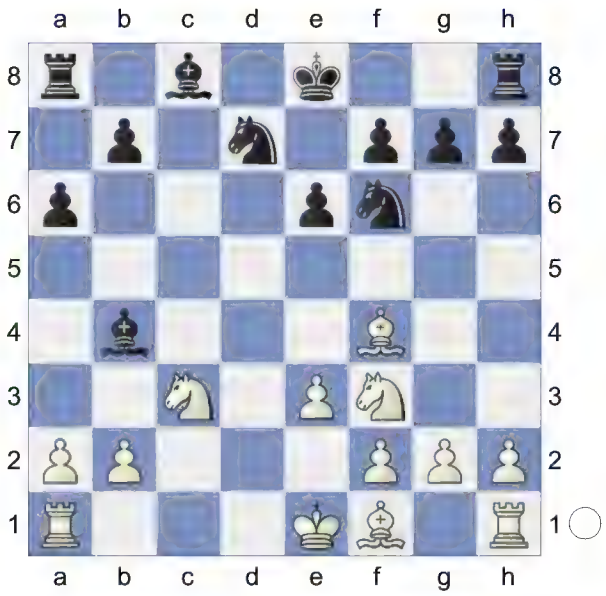
½-½

14 **D06**
□ **may6enexttime** **2992**
■ **MrSOK** **2701**
Blitz 09.12.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Qxd5N
[3...Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4 Nf6

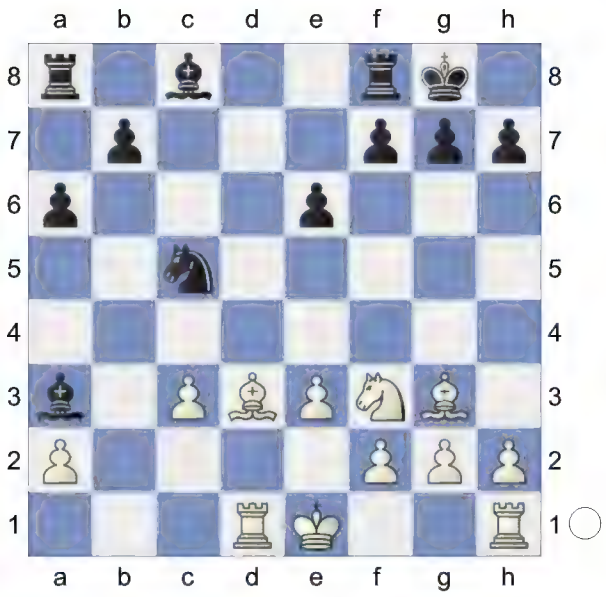
(Diagram)

6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.Bf4 Nbd7 White must now prevent ...e5. **9.Nf3** Inhibits e5. **9...e6 10.e3** The position is equal. **10...Bb4**

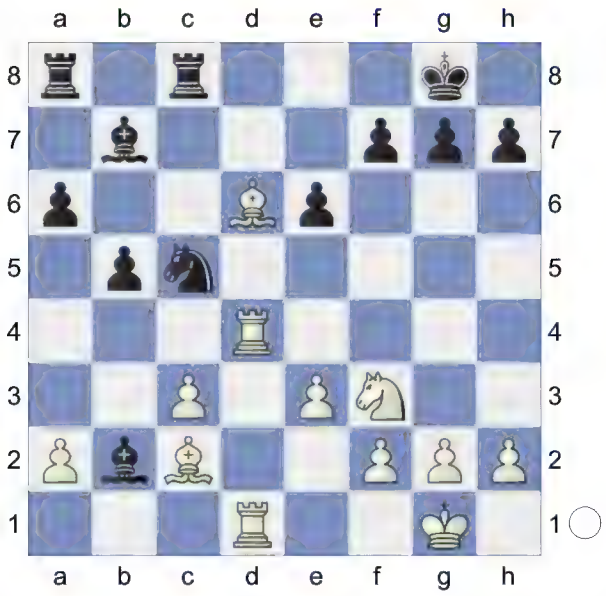


11.Rc1 Nd5 12.Bg3 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Ba3 14.Rd1 -0.52/19
[14.Rb1= -0.01/21]
14...0-0 -0.21/19
[14...b5∓ -0.52/19]
15.Bd3 Nc5

(Diagram)

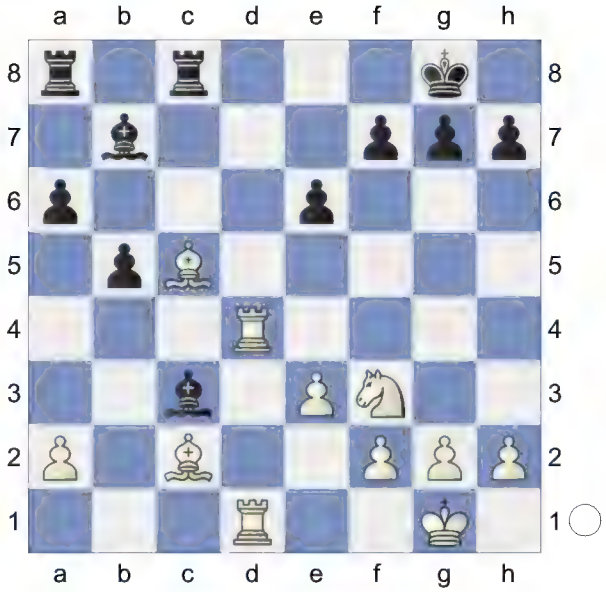


16.Bc2 b5 17.Bd6 Bxh7+! is the strong threat. **17...Rd8 18.0-0** And now Bxc5 would win. **18...Bb7 19.Rd4** -0.90/21
[19.e4∓ -0.41/19]
19...Rdc8 0.21/21
[19...Bd5∓ -0.90/21 20.Be7 Re8 21.Bxc5 Bxc5]
20.Rfd1↑ White has good play.
20...Bb2? 2.19/21
[20...Bc6= 0.03/18 and Black is okay.]

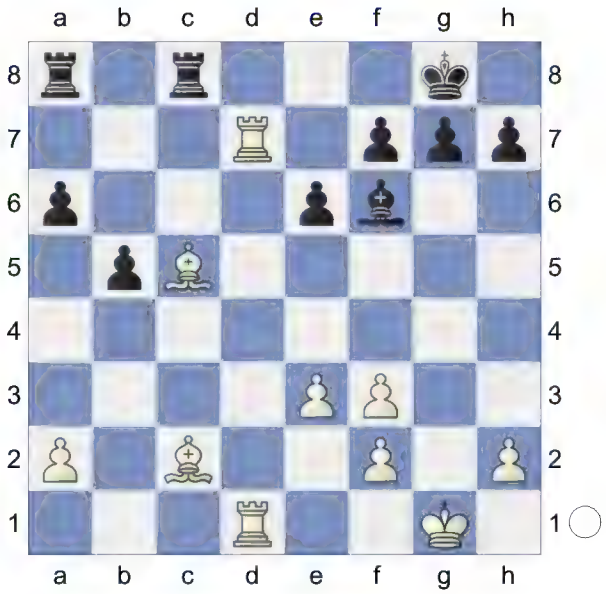


This move loses the game for Black.

21.Bxc5+- Bxc3



22.Rd7!
[Don't play 22.Ng5?! g6±]
22...Bxf3 5.19/22
[22...Bc6 2.07/20 is tougher.]
23.gxf3 Bf6 8.43/24
[⌓23...Re8 5.07/21 24.Be4 Rac8]



24.Be4!

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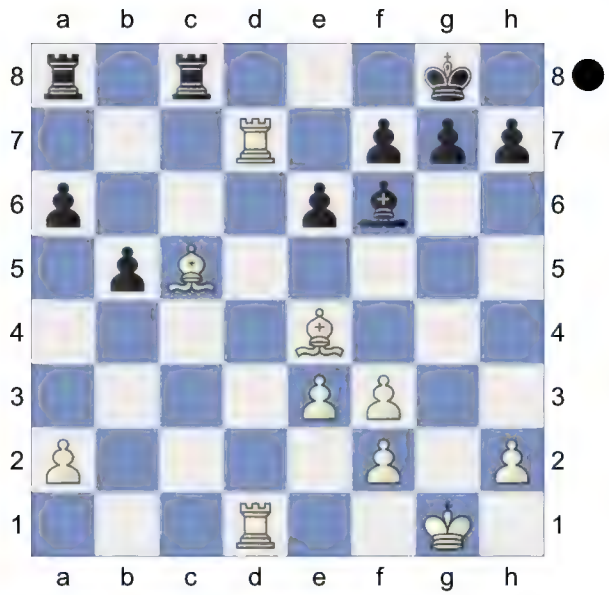

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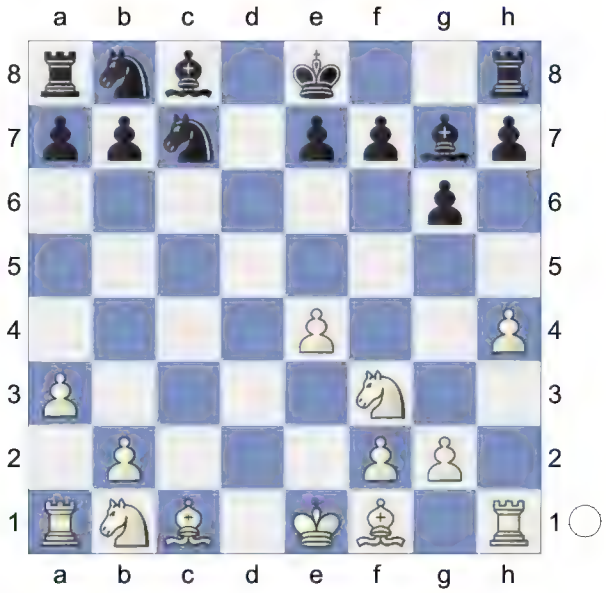
15 **D06**
□ **ELO_1500** **2987**
■ **motorrijder** **2990**
Rapid 03.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 6min+3sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Qa4+N**
[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qd7

(Diagram)

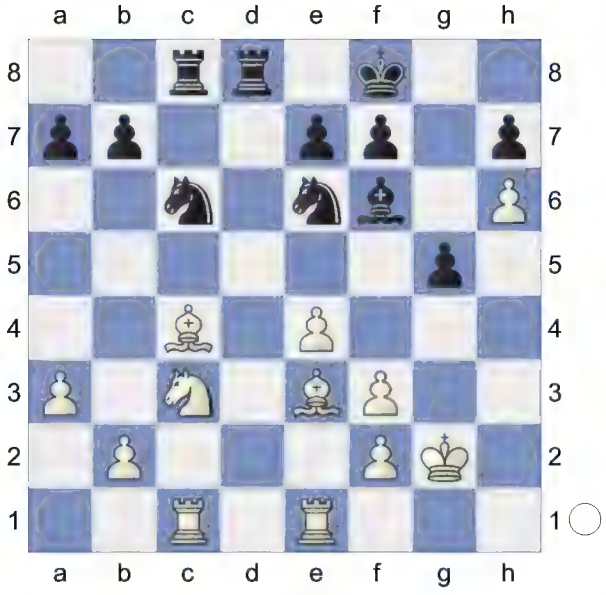
6.Qxd4 Black must now prevent Nc3.
6...Qxd5
[6...e6 looks sharper. 7.dxe6 Qxe6 8.Nc3 Nc6]
7.Qxd5 Nxd5 8.a3 Inhibits Nb4. **8...g6 9.e4 Nc7 10.h4 Bg7**



11.h5 Nc6 12.Nc3 Bg4 13.h6 Bf6 14.Be3 0-0 15.Rc1 Rfd8

(Diagram)

16.Bc4 Rac8 17.0-0 Kf8 0.73/20
[17...Bxf3= 0.28/18 18.gxf3 g5]
18.Rfe1 0.31/19 &Bianco is more active.
[White should try 18.Ng5± 0.73/20]
18...Bxf3± 19.gxf3 g5 20.Kg2 Ne6



21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.Red1 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 b6 24.Rd7 Ke8 25.Rb7 Bxc3

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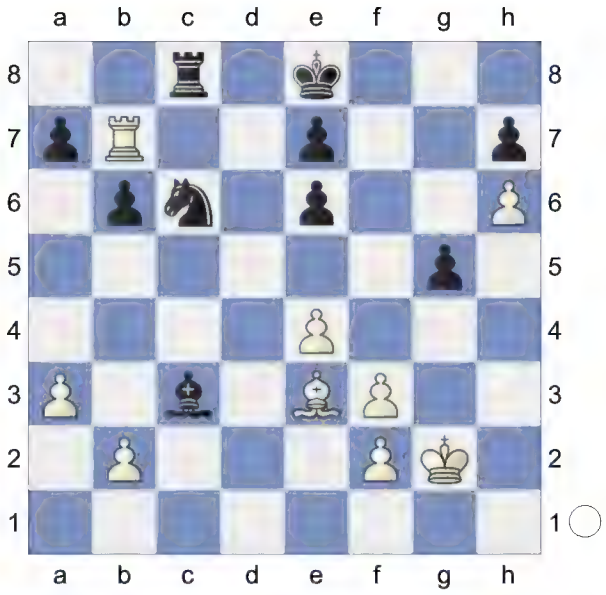
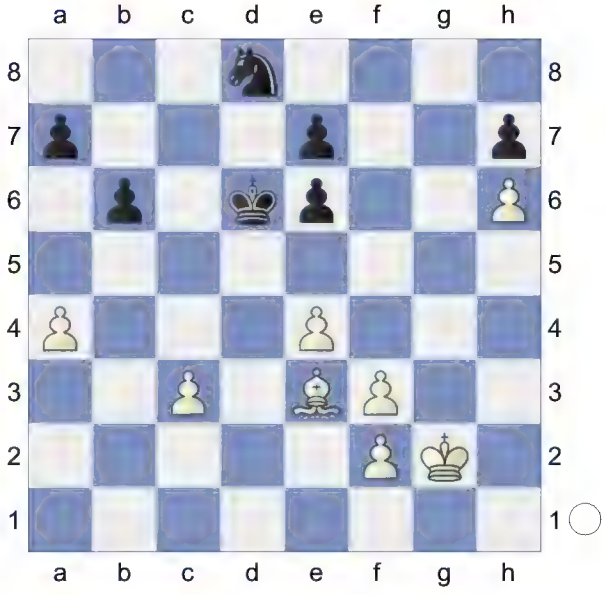
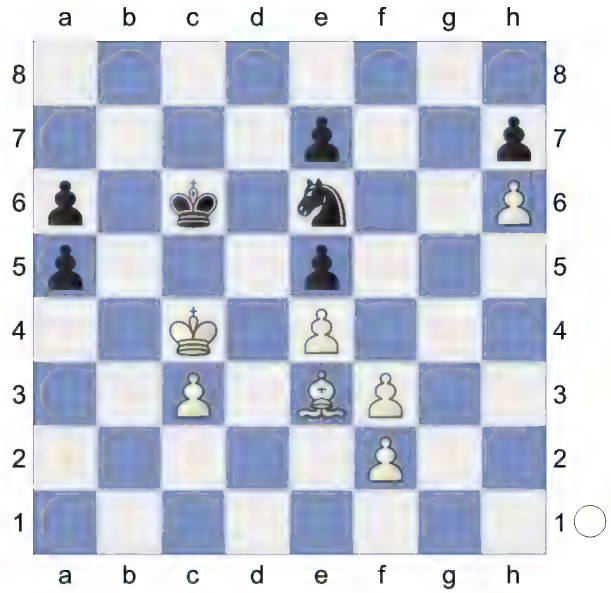


26.bxc3 Endgame KRB-KRN **26...Kd8! 27.a4!**
[27.Bxg5 Ra8 28.Kg3 Kc8 29.Rxe7 Nxe7 30.Bxe7 Kd7∓]
27...Rc7 28.Rxc7 Kxc7 29.Bxg5 KB-KN **29...Kd6 30.Be3! Nd8**

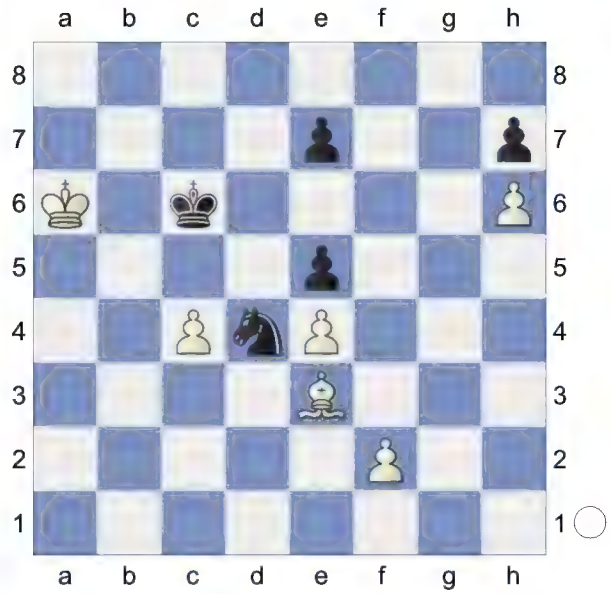


31.Kf1 0.01/26
[31.Kg3± 0.84/23]
31...e5 The position is equal. **32.Ke2** Black should prevent f4. **32...Ne6** Prevents f4. **33.a5 bxa5 34.Kd3 a6 35.Kc4 Kc6**

(Diagram)



36.Kb3 Kb5 37.c4+ Kc6 38.Ka4 Nd4 39.Kxa5 Nxf3 40.Kxa6 Nd4



41.Ka7 Kc5 42.Kb8 Kxc4 43.Kc7 Kd3 44.Kd7 Kxe4 45.Kxe7 Kf5

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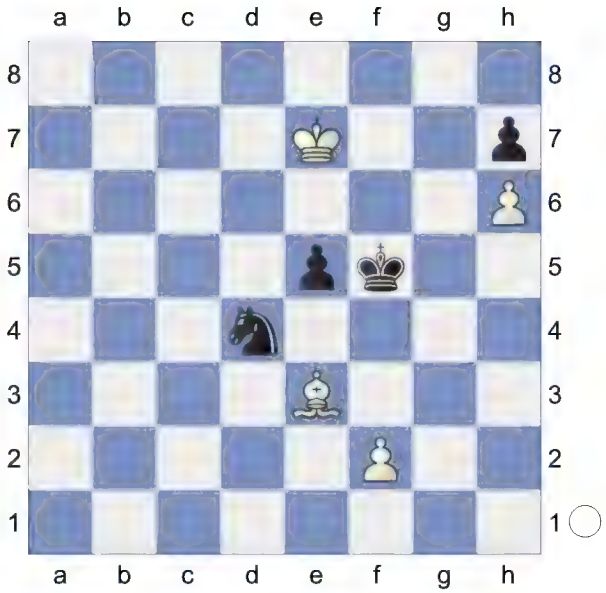
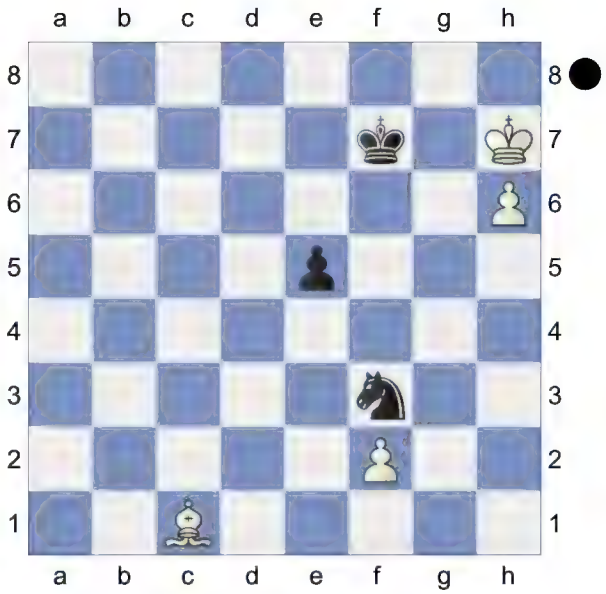


46.Kf7 Nf3 47.Kg7 Ke6 48.Kxh7 Kf7 49.Bc1



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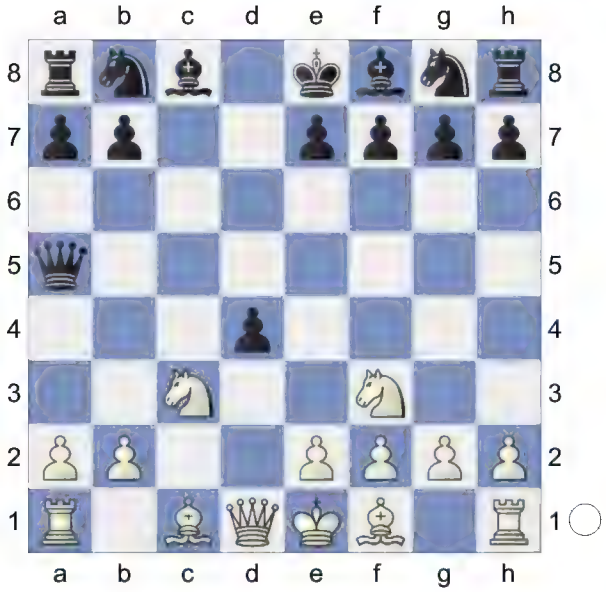
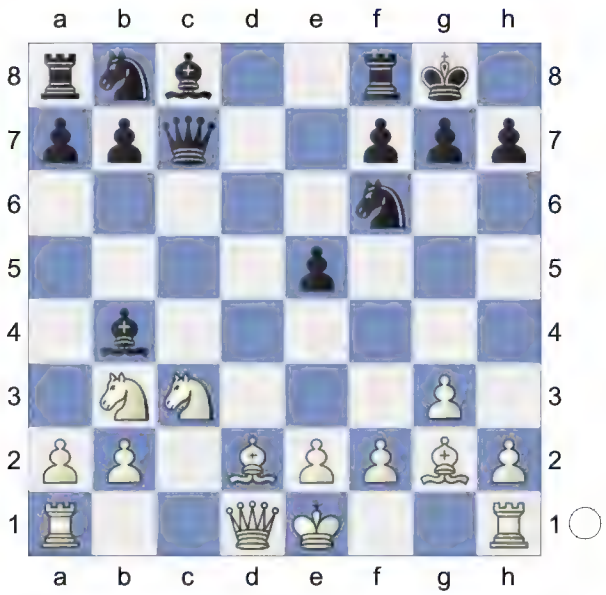
16 **D06**
□ **Dynamirock** **2973**
■ **dmitrijiiiGM** **2843**
Blitz 24.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

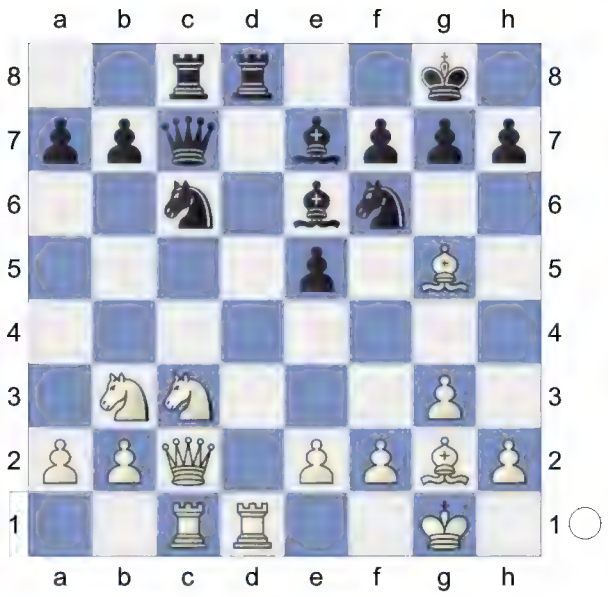


6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3N
[7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-N, N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
7...e5 8.Nb3 White has an edge.
8...Qc7 9.Bg2 Inhibits Qc6. **9...Bb4 10.Bd2 0-0**

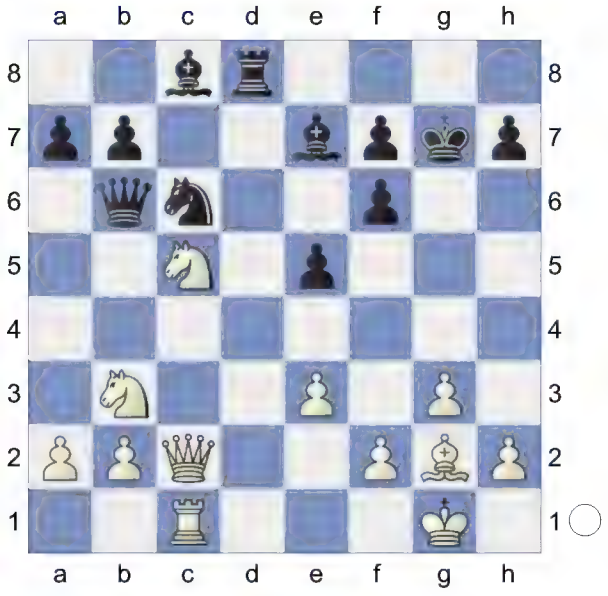


11.0-0 Nc6 12.Rc1 Rd8 13.Qc2 Be6 14.Bg5 Be7 15.Rfd1
[15.Bxf6!? gxf6 16.Be4=]
15...Rac8 0.53/21
[15...Rxd1+= 0.02/20 16.Rxd1 Nb4]

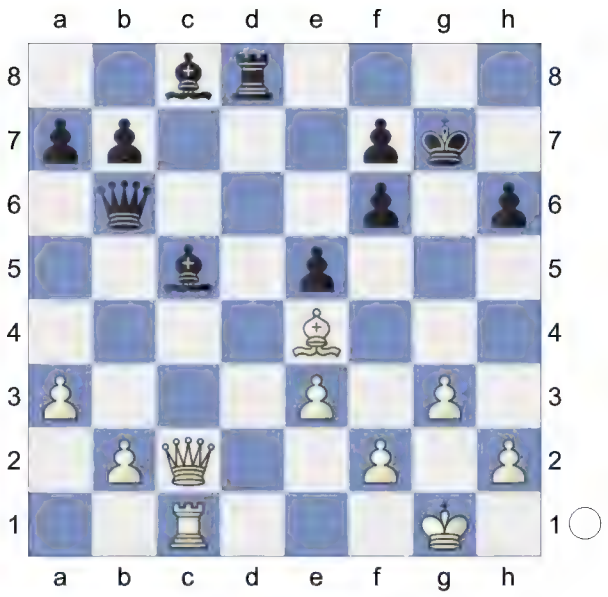
(Diagram)



16.Rxd8+ 0.13/19
[16.Bxf6± 0.53/21 is superior. Rxd1+ 17.Qxd1 Bxf6 18.Nc5]
16...Rxd8= 17.Bxf6 gxf6
[17...Bxf6 18.Nc5±]
18.e3 Kg7 19.Ne4 Qb6 20.Nec5 Pair of Knights! **20...Bc8**

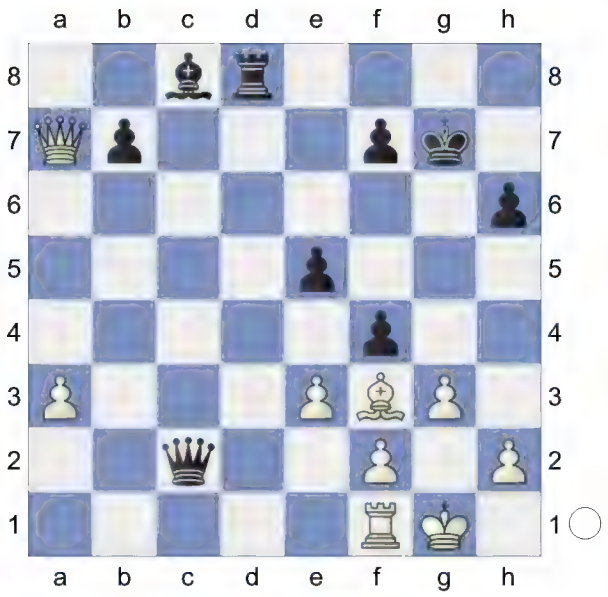


21.Be4 Nb4 22.Qb1 h6 23.a3 Na6
24.Qc2 -1.34/26
[24.Nxa6= -0.04/24 keeps the balance. bxa6 25.Nd2]
24...Nxc5∓ 25.Nxc5 Bxc5
(Diagram)



26.Qxc5 Qxb2 27.Rb1 -1.70/22
[27.Kg2∓ -1.23/22 was worth a try.]
27...Qd2
[27...Bh3 28.Qb4 Qe2 29.Qe1 Qxe1+ 30.Rxe1∓]
28.Qxa7 f5 -0.01/23
[28...Bh3∓ -1.30/26 (→ ...Qd1+!) 29.Qa4 Qe2]
29.Bf3= Prevents Qd1+.
[29.Bxb7? Rd7 30.Qb8 Bxb7 31.Qxe5+ Kg8-+]
29...Qc2 Inhibits Rd1. **30.Rf1 f4** 0.81/23
[30...Qc7= -0.02/22 remains equal.]

(Diagram)

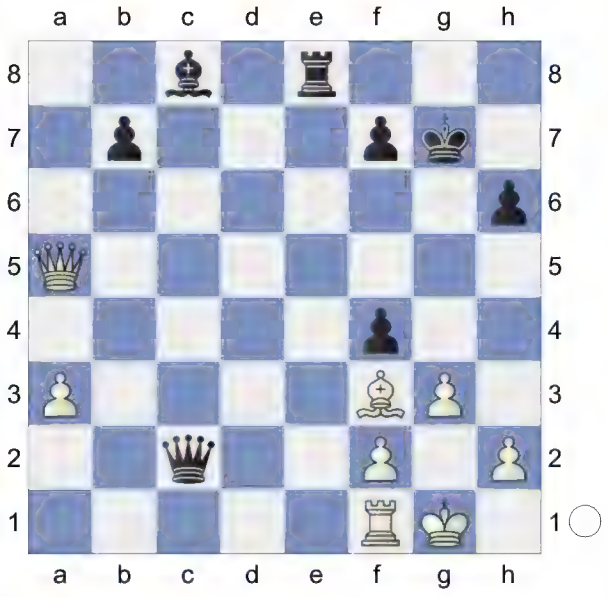


31.Qa5!±

[Wrong is 31.Bxb7? Qc7 32.exf4 *(32.Rb1? Rd7-+)* 32...exf4-+]

[31.gxf4? Bh3 32.Qxb7 Bxf1 33.Kxf1 exf4-+]

31...Re8 32.exf4 exf4



33.Re1 0.13/23

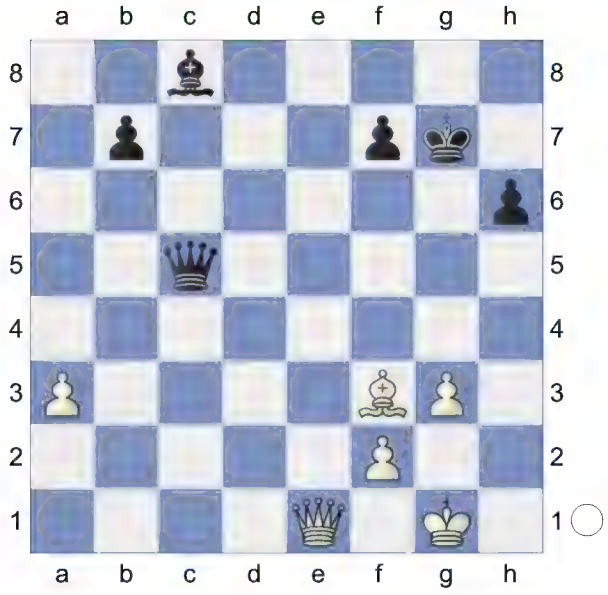
[33.Qb5!± 0.83/21 Re6 34.Qb4 *(34.gxf4 Qd2±; 34.Bxb7 Bxb7 35.Qxb7 Re4±)*]

33...Rxe1+

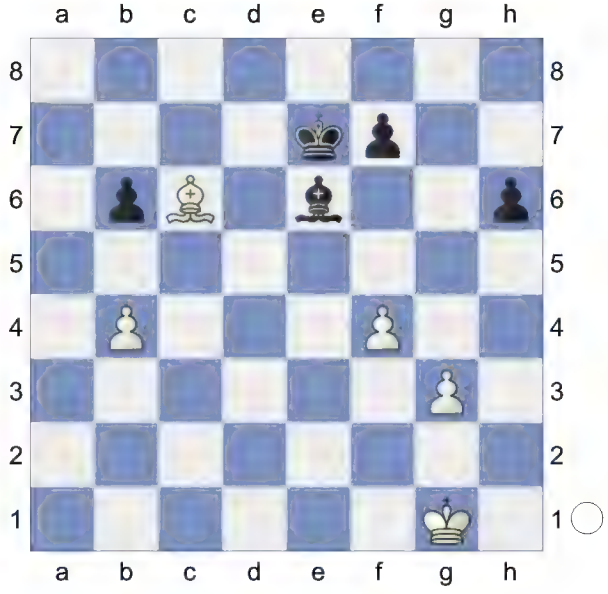
[33...b6 feels hotter. 34.Qb4 Rxe1+ 35.Qxe1 Bh3]

34.Qxe1 fxg3 35.hxg3 Qc5 0.57/23

[35...Qf5= 0.26/23 is more appropriate. 36.Qc3+ Qf6]



Prevents Qe5+. **36.Qb4 Qxb4 37.axb4±** Endgame KB-KB **37...Kf6 38.Bd5 b6 39.f4! Be6 40.Bc6 Ke7**



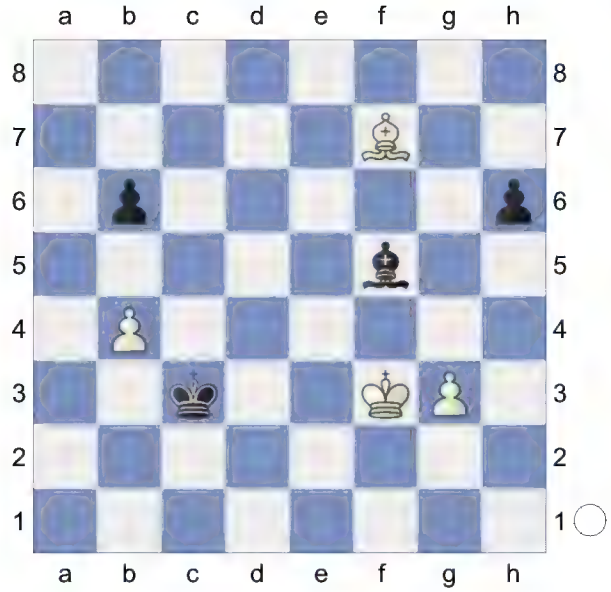
41.Kf2 Kd6 42.Be8 -0.01/27

[42.Be4± 0.38/27]

42...Kd5= 43.f5 Bxf5 Threatens to win with ...Kc4. **44.Bxf7+ Kd4** Threatening ...Bd7. **45.Kf3** -0.40/30

[45.Be8= -0.01/32]

45...Kc3



And now ...Bd7 would win. **46.g4** -0.68/31

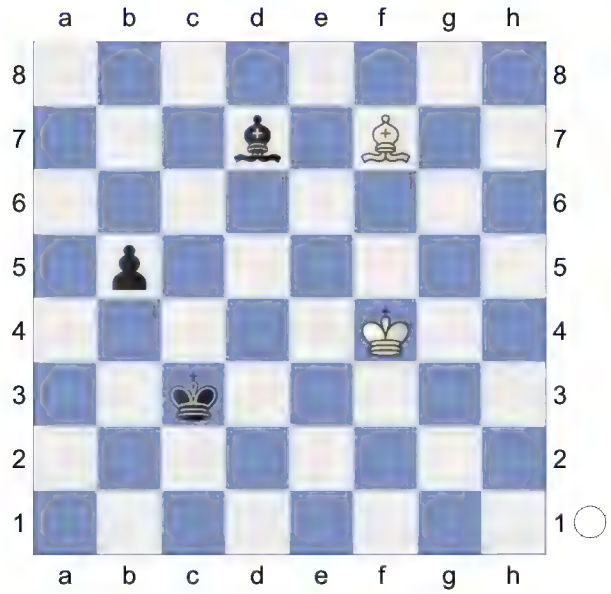
[⌓46.Kf4 -0.34/28 Bd3 47.Kg4]

46...Bd7∓ 47.Kf4 -1.40/28

[White should try 47.Kg3!∓ -0.68/33]

47...Kxb4∓ 48.g5 hxg5+ 49.Kxg5 Kc3

...b5 is the strong threat. **50.Kf4 b5**



Hoping for ...b4. **51.Ke3?** -13.22/31

This costs White the game.

[51.Ke5∓ -1.11/34]

51...Bg4-+ 52.Kf4

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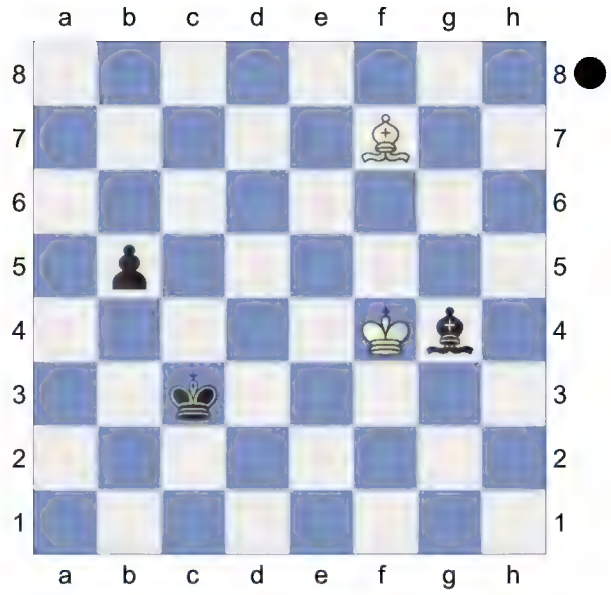
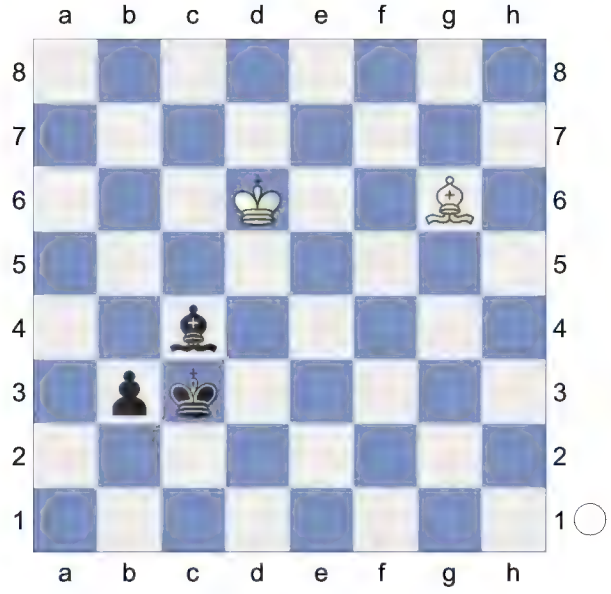


Be2! 53.Ke5 b4 54.Kd6 Bc4 55.Bg6 b3



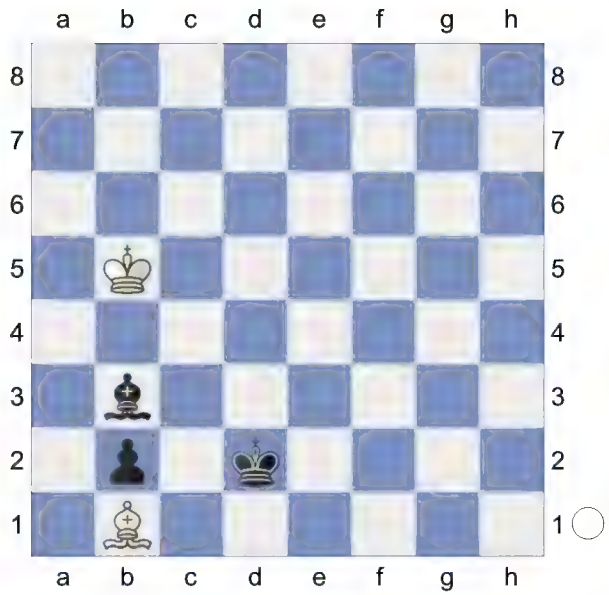
56.Kc5 Bd3 -10.22/22

[⌓56...b2 -#17/24 57.Bb1 Bb3 58.Kb5 Kd2 59.Kb6 Kc1 60.Bf5 Bc2 61.Bd7 b1Q+ 62.Kc7 Qb4 63.Bc6 Be4 64.Bxe4 Qxe4 65.Kd8 Kc2 66.Kc7 Kc3 67.Kd6 Kc4 68.Kc7 Kc5 69.Kd7 Qe5 70.Kc8 Qe7 71.Kb8 Kb6 72.Kc8 Qe8#]

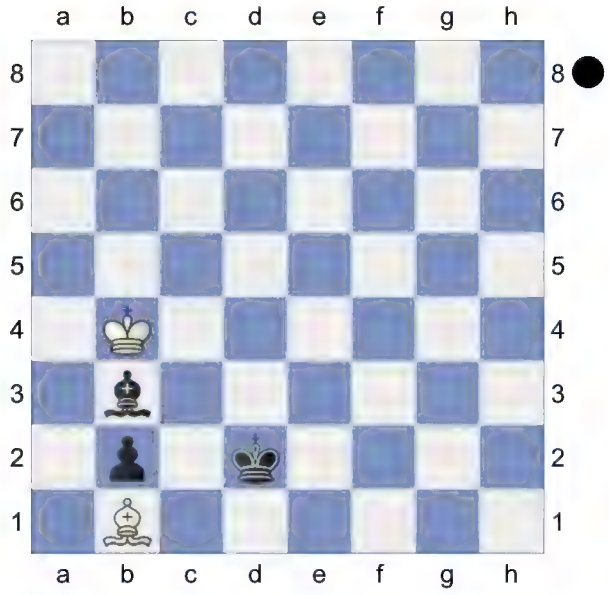
57.Bf7 b2 58.Ba2 Bc2 59.Kb5 Bb3

Black mates. **60.Bb1 Kd2**

(Diagram)



61.Kb4



Kc1! 62.Bh7

[62.Bd3 Bc2]

62...Bc2

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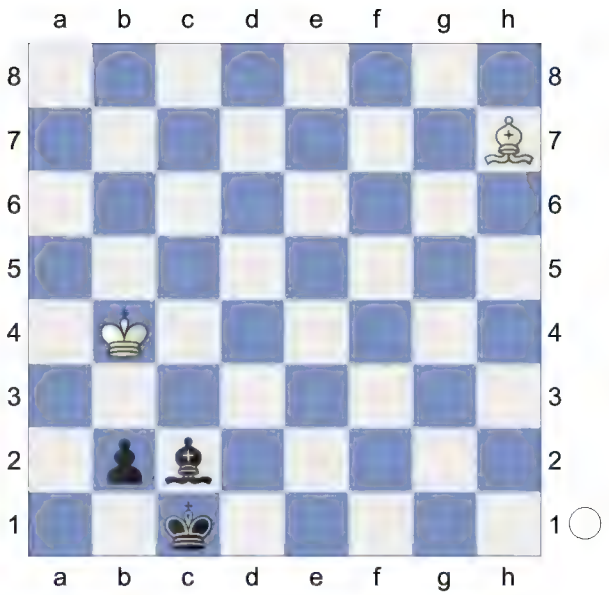

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17 **D06**
□ **Emuliren_Walding** **2953**
■ **Zayats71** **2785**
Blitz 27.11.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Qxd4N**
[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qxd5

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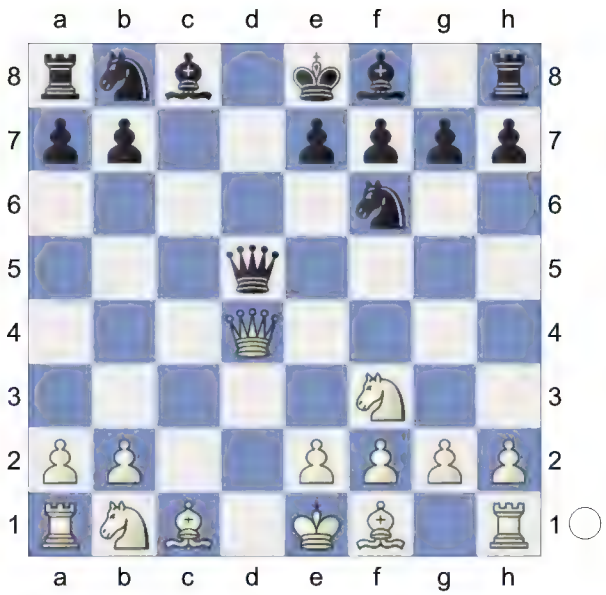
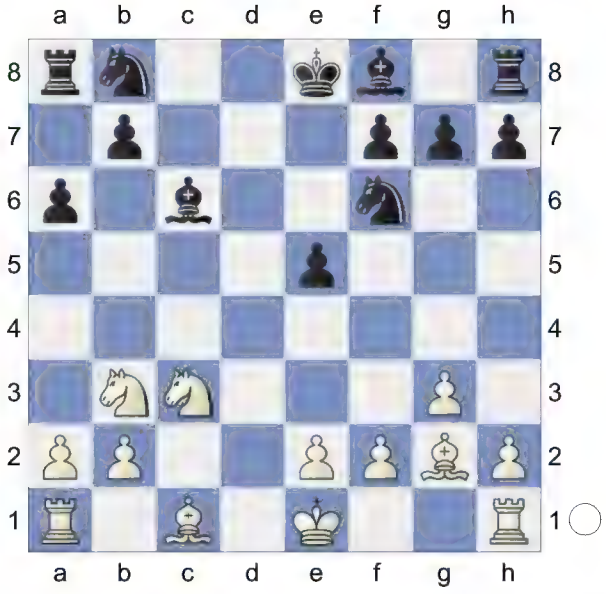
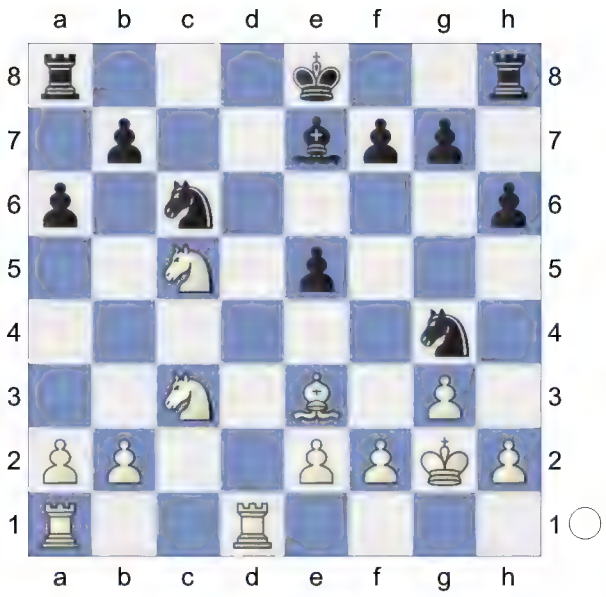


6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6

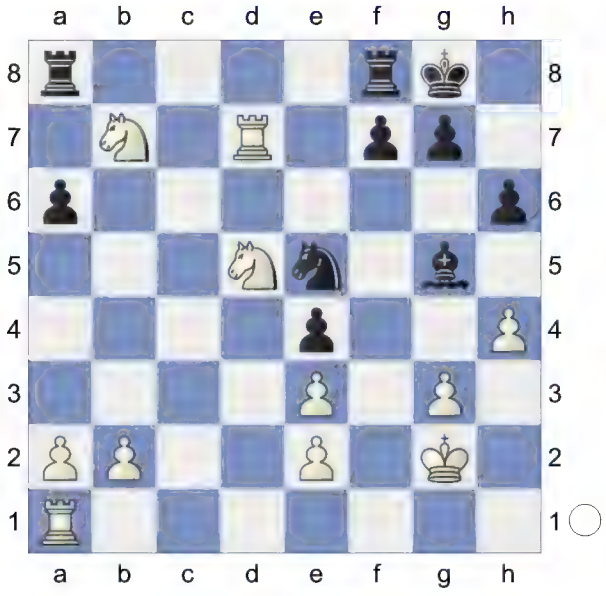


11.0-0 Bxg2 White has an edge. **12.Kxg2 h6** Prevents Bg5. **13.Be3 Nc6 14.Rfd1 Be7 15.Nc5 Ng4** 1.50/20
[Black should try 15...Rb8 0.76/20]

(Diagram)



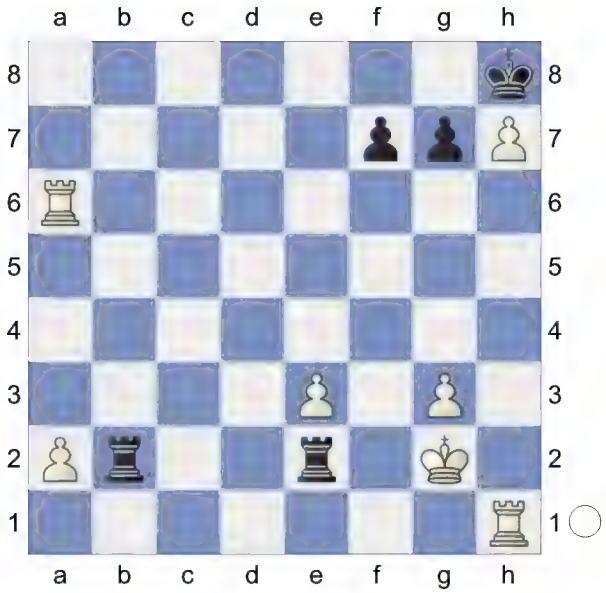
16.Nxb7± Nxe3+ 1.20/21
[16...Rb8+- 1.66/23]
17.fxe3 0-0 1.60/22
[Black should play 17...Rb8 1.24/22]
18.Rd7 aiming for Rc1. **18...Bg5**
19.Nd5 Threatens to win with h4. **19...e4**
20.h4 Ne5



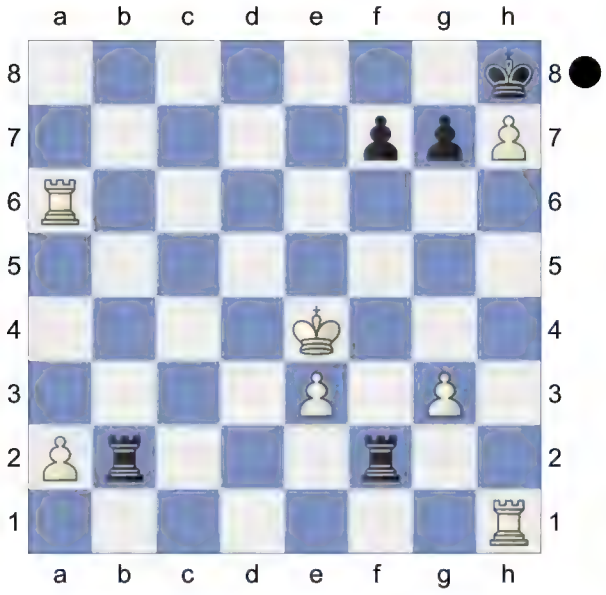
21.Rd6 0.63/21
[21.Rc7± 1.09/22 Bd8 22.Rc5
(22.Nxd8 Rfxd8 23.Rd1 Ng4=)]
21...Rfb8 1.08/21 **22.hxg5** 0.33/21
&Bianco is much more active.
[22.Nc5± 1.08/21 Nc4 23.Rxa6 Rxa6 24.Nxa6]
22...Rxb7± **23.gxh6** Black must now prevent b3. **23...Nc4** 1.59/22
[⌓23...Rxb2 0.76/20 24.Ne7+ Kh7]
24.Rc6± Rd8 25.h7+
[Don't take 25.Rxc4 Rxd5 26.b4
(26.Rxe4 Rxb2 27.Ra4 Rd6±)
26...gxh6 27.Rxe4 Rd2]
25...Kh8

26.Rxc4 Rxd5+- Endgame KRR-KRR
27.Rh1
[Much less strong is 27.Rxe4?! Rxb2
28.Rh1 Rd8±]
27...Rb8 Prevents Rc8+. **28.Rxe4 Rd2**
29.Ra4? 0.18/23
[29.Kf2+- 1.75/22]
29...Rbxb2 30.Rxa6 Rxe2+

(Diagram)



31.Kf3 Rf2+ 32.Ke4



White wants to mate with Ra8+.

32...Rxa2 33.Rxa2 Rxa2= KR-KR

34.g4 Ra6 35.g5 Rg6

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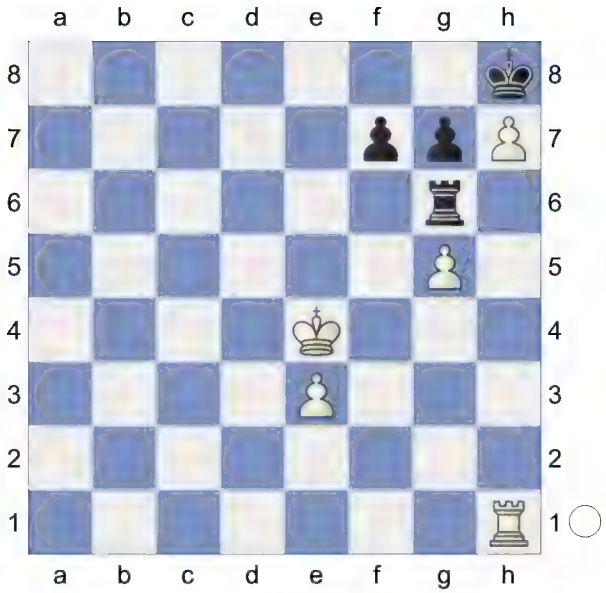
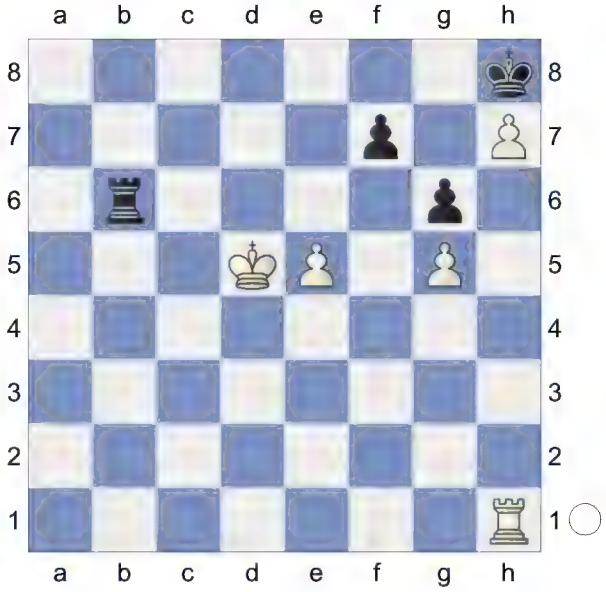


36.Kf5 Ra6 37.e4 g6+ 38.Ke5 Re6+ 39.Kd5 Ra6 40.e5 Rb6



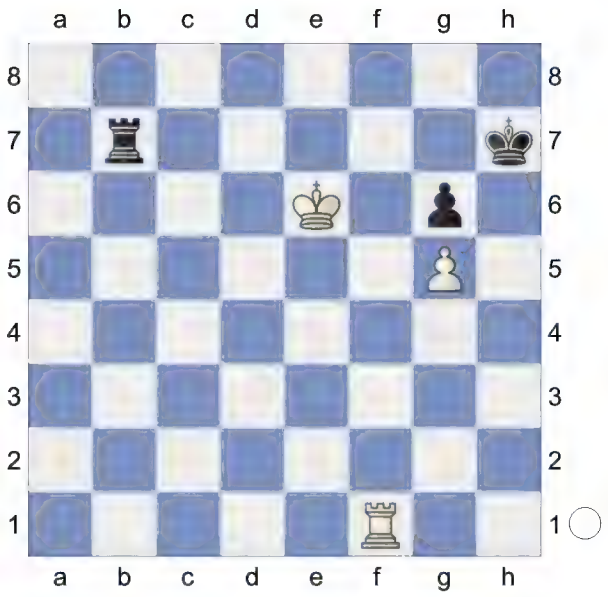
41.Rf1 Rb7 0.45/29

[41...Re6= 0.01/29]

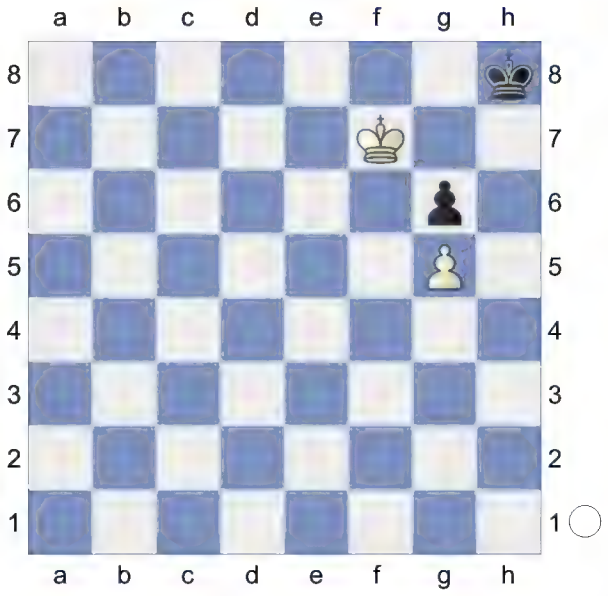
42.e6!± fxe6+ 43.Kxe6 Threatening mate with Rf8+. **43...Kxh7?** #17/29

[43...Rb5± 0.37/30]

(Diagram)



A mistake that costs the game. **44.Rf7+ Rxf7 45.Kxf7** Intending Kf6 and mate. **45...Kh8**



46.Kxg6 Kf7 would kill now. **46...Kg8 47.Kh6 Kh8 48.g6 Kg8 49.g7**

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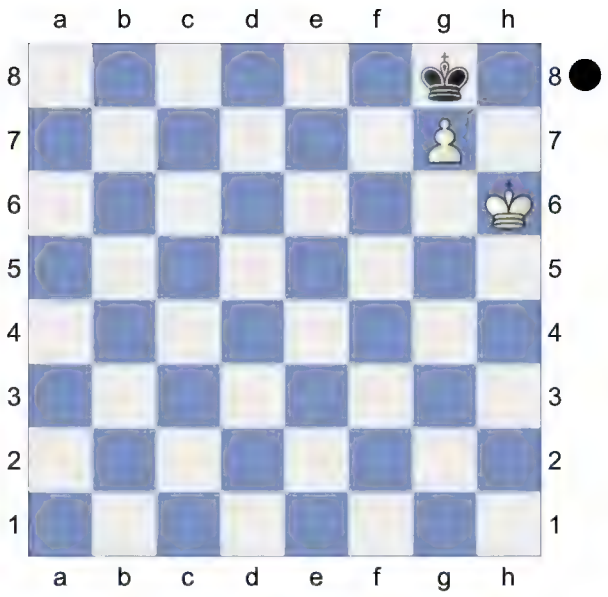

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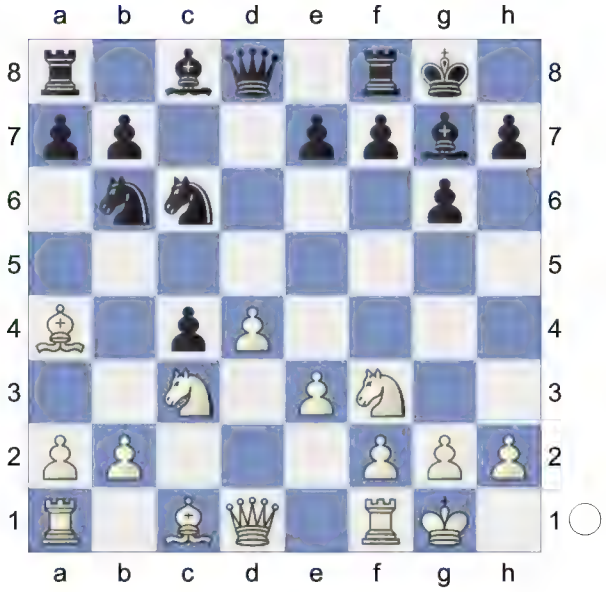
18 **D06**
□ **Herushkanamura** **2947**
■ **Tayka** **2795**
Blitz 02.03.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.Nc3N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.exd4 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.cxd5 *(7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Bf5 13.Qb3 Rb8 14.a4 Qd6* 5 Chapter-Games Game*)* 7...Nxd5 8.Qb3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 0-0 10.Be2 Nc6 11.0-0 b6 12.Rd1 Bb7 13.Be3 e6 14.Rac1 Rc8 15.Qa4 Qc7 16.c4 Ne7 17.d5 Nf5 18.Bd2 Rfe8 8 Chapter-Games Game]
4...Nc6 5.cxd5 Nxd5

(Diagram)

6.Nf3 g6 7.Bc4 Nb6
[7...Nxc3 is more complex. 8.Qb3 e6 9.bxc3 Na5]
8.Bb3 White has an edge. **8...c4 9.Ba4** aiming for d5. **9...Bg7 10.0-0 0-0**



11.h3 Nb4 12.e4 -0.22/20
[⌓12.a3 0.09/20 Nd3 13.Bc2]
12...Bd7 0.40/18
[12...Nxa4= -0.22/20 13.Qxa4 a5]
13.Bxd7 Qxd7 14.Be3 Nd3 15.b3 Rac8

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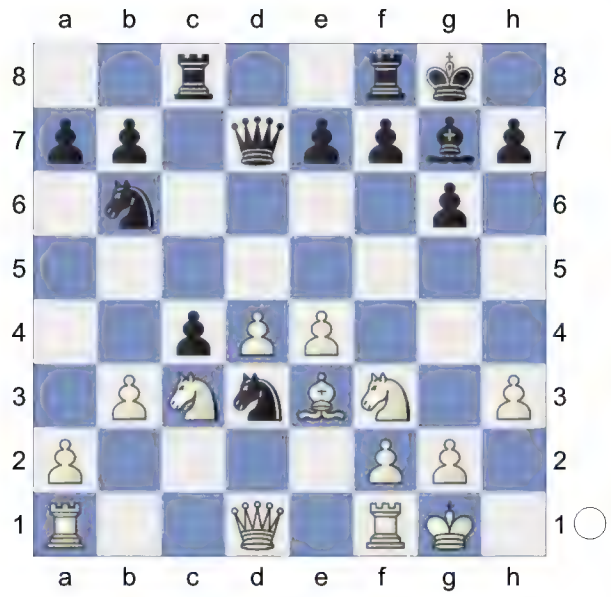
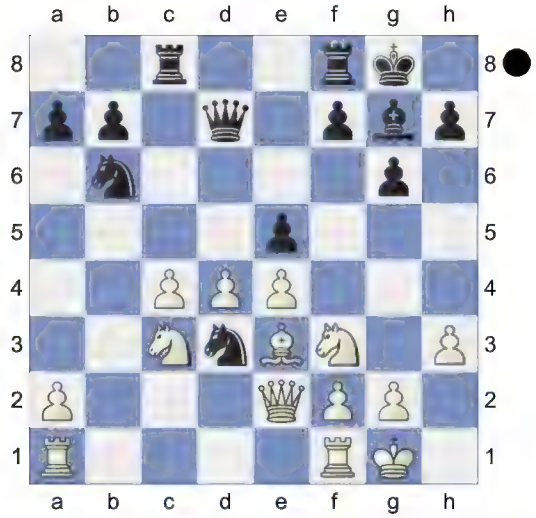


16.Qe2 0.14/22
[16.Qd2± 0.50/19 was preferrable.]
16...Nb4
[16...e5!? 17.bxc4 *(17.d5 Nf4∓)*



17...exd4! 18.Nxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd3 Rxc4=]
17.Rac1 cxb3 18.axb3 f5 19.Ne5 0.21/20
[19.Rfd1± 0.61/18 deserves consideration.]
19...Bxe5= 20.dxe5 f4

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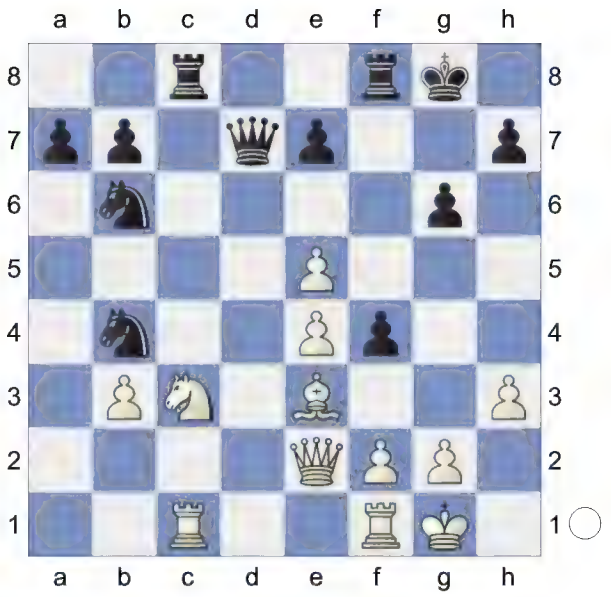
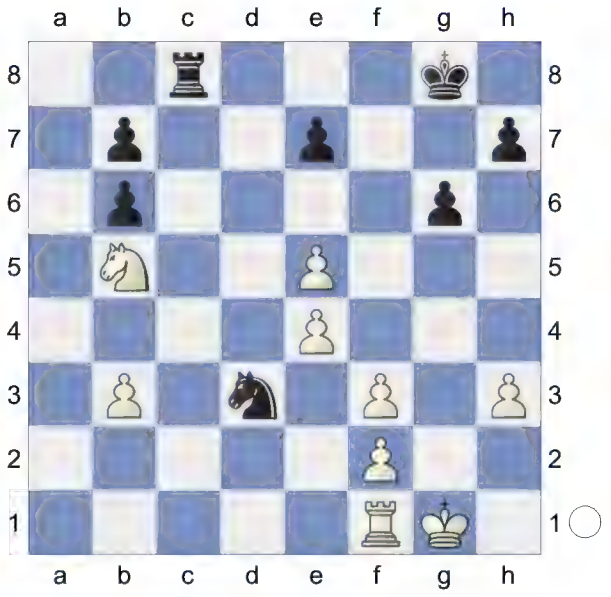
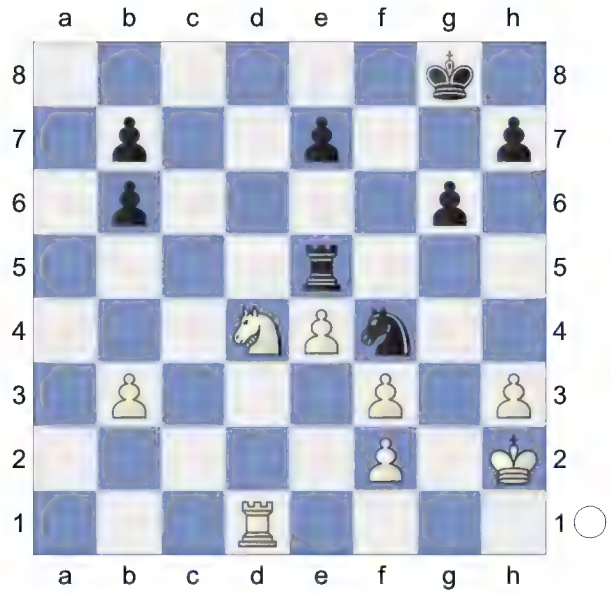


21.Bxb6 f3 22.Qb5 -0.01/20
[Much worse is 22.gxf3 axb6 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.exd5 Qxd5∓]
[White should play 22.Qe3± 0.89/23 axb6 23.Rcd1]
22...Qxb5 23.Nxb5 axb6 24.Rxc8
[24.Rc3 looks sharper. Nc6 25.Rd1 fxg2 26.Rd7]
24...Rxc8 25.gxf3 Endgame KRN-KRN
25...Nd3

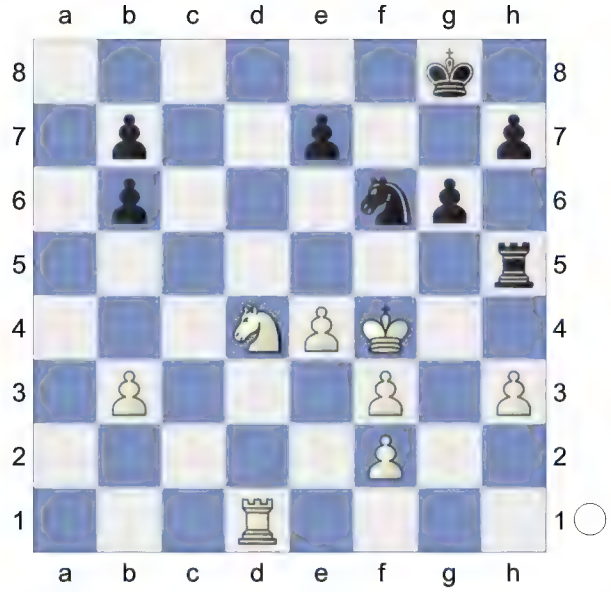


26.Kg2 -0.32/23
[26.Rd1= 0.01/21 Nxe5 27.f4]
26...Rc5∓ 27.Nd4 Rxe5 28.Rd1 Nf4+

29.Kg3 Nh5+ 30.Kh2
[30.Kg4!?]
30...Nf4



31.Kg3 Nh5+ 32.Kg4 Nf6+ 33.Kf4 Rh5



White must now prevent ...e5+. **34.Ne6 Kf7 35.Ng5+ Ke8!**

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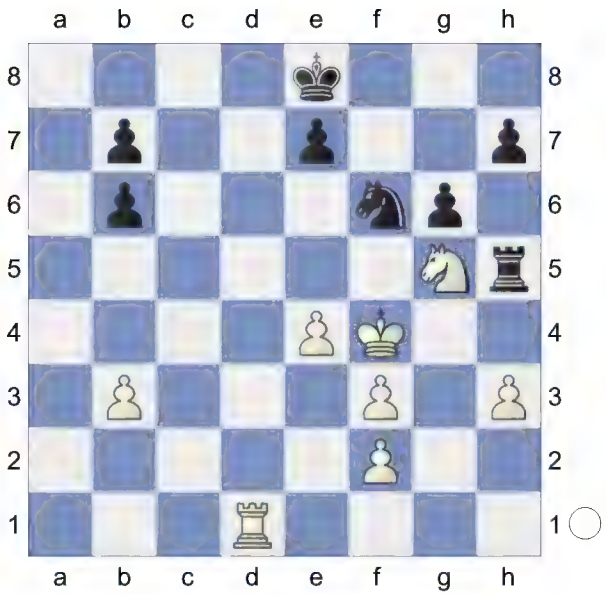
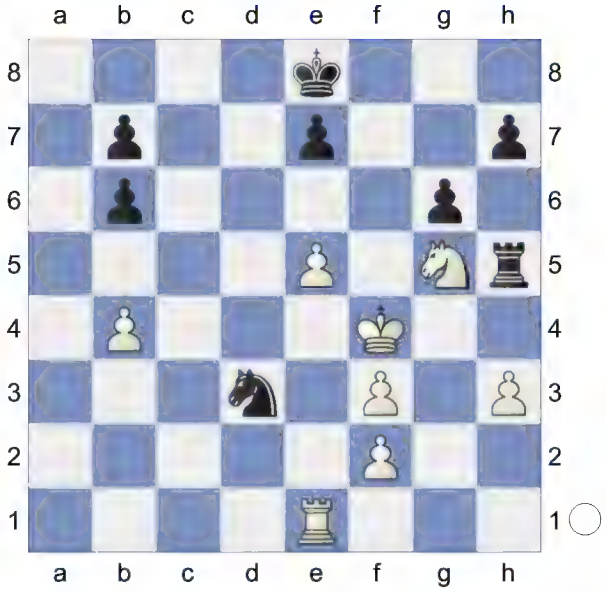


36.e5 Nd7 37.Re1 -1.36/22
[37.Rd5= -0.02/23 remains equal.]
37...Nc5∓ 38.b4? -9.77/23
[38.Re3∓ -1.15/21]
38...Nd3+



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19 **D06**
□ **SaySomething12** **2940**
■ **Zayats71** **2742**
Blitz 18.04.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4N**
[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61) *Ke7 21.Rd2 Rhd8 22.Rhd1 Rxd2+ 23.Rxd2 g5 24.Bd5 Bc8 25.a3 Bd7 26.Bc4 Rb6 27.Ba5 Bb5 28.Bxb5 Rxb5 29.b4 Bd6 30.e4 Ke6 31.Kd3 h5 32.h3 Rb8 33.Rc2 Kd7 34.Kc4 Rc8+ 35.Kb3* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)*)* 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56) *22.Bb5 Bb3 23.Qc1 Nc6 24.Rd6 a6 25.Be2 Nd4 26.Bxd4 Nxe4 27.Rb6 exd4 28.Rxb3 Nxc3 29.bxc3 Qxe2 30.Rxb7 f6 31.Qb1 dxc3 32.Qb3+ Qc4 33.Qc2 Qd5 34.Rb1 Qd2 35.Rc1 Qd5 36.Rd1 Qe6* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)*)* 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qxd5

6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6

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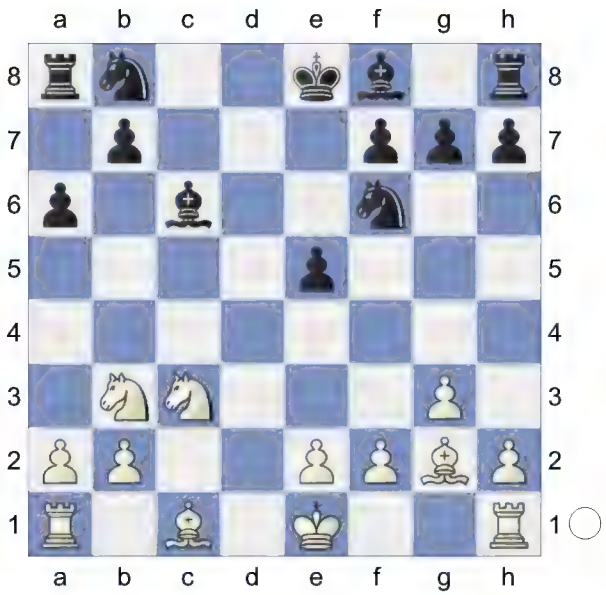
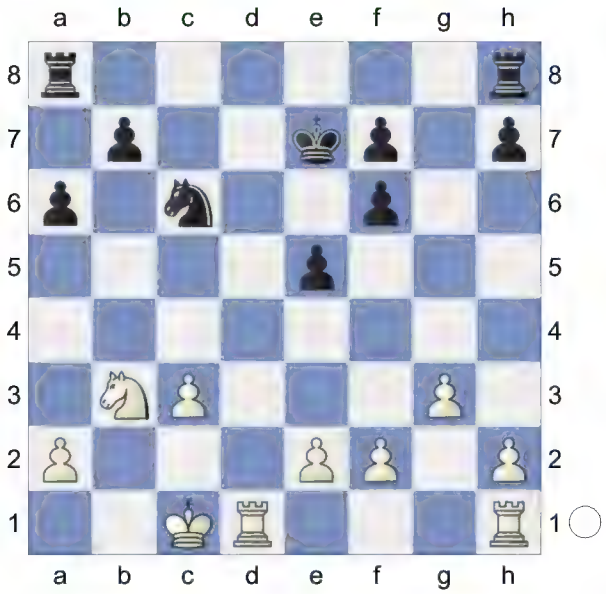


11.Bxc6+ Nxc6 White is slightly better. White has an edge. **12.Bg5 Bb4 13.Bxf6 Bxc3+ 14.bxc3 gxf6 15.0-0-0 Ke7** 0.58/21

[15...Rc8!= 0.04/19]

[15...Rc8= 0.13/22 is more appropriate.]



16.Nc5± Strongly threatening Rd7+.

16...Rhd8 Prevents Rd7+. **17.Nxb7 Rxd1+** 1.68/22

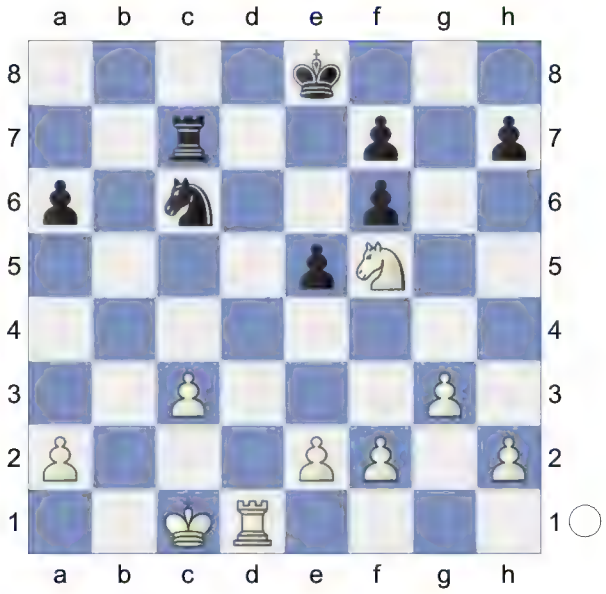
[17...Rdc8± 0.80/21]

[17...Rdc8!± 0.66/24]

18.Rxd1 Endgame KRN-KRN **18...Rc8 19.Nd6 Rc7 20.Nf5+ Ke8** 2.49/25

[20...Ke6± 1.30/22 keeps fighting.]

[⌓20...Ke6 1.86/26]



21.Ng7+ 1.33/25

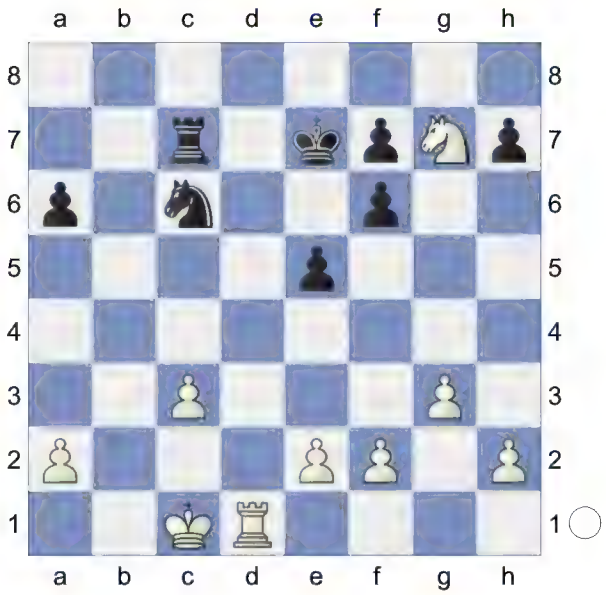
[21.Rd6+- 2.02/21]

[White should play 21.Kc2+- 2.49/25]

21...Ke7 1.97/24

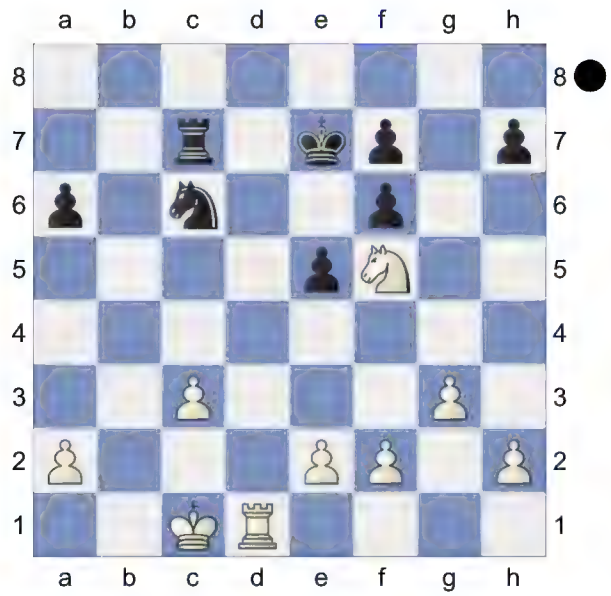
[⌓21...Kf8 1.00/23]

[21...Kf8± 1.33/25]

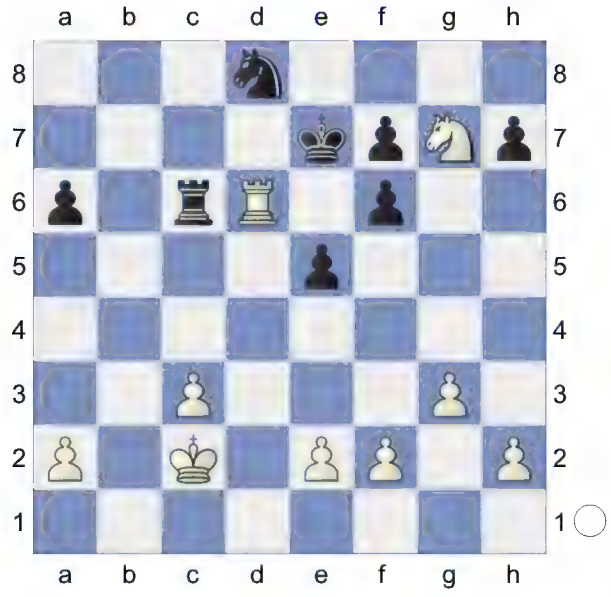


22.Nf5+? -0.01/22

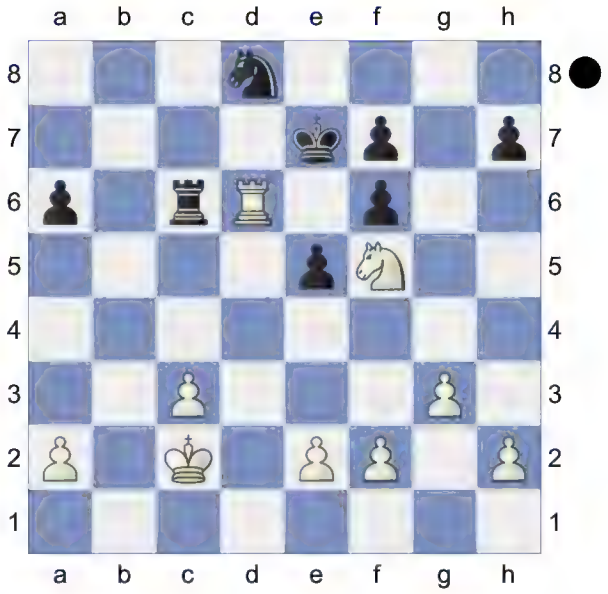
[White should try 22.Kb2± 1.57/20]
[22.Kb2!+- 1.97/24]



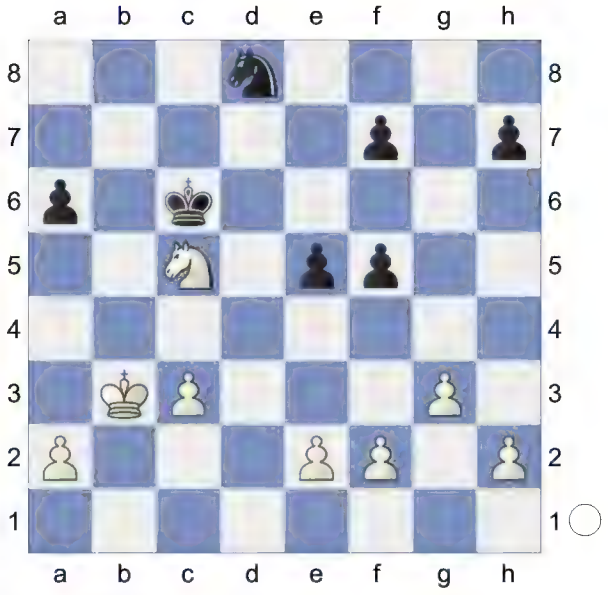
22...Ke8!= **23.Rd6** Prevents Nd4. Against Nd4 **23...Nd8** **24.Kc2**
[Don't take 24.Rxa6?! aiming for Kc2. Rxc3+ 25.Kd2 Rc5+-]
[Much less strong is 24.Rxa6?! Rxc3+ 25.Kb2 Rc5+-]
24...Rc6 **25.Ng7+?** 1.27/24
[25.Rxc6+- 3.26/26 Nxc6 26.Kd3]
[25.Rxc6+- 3.74/28 Nxc6 26.Kd3]
25...Ke7!±



26.Nf5+ 0.01/5
[White should play 26.Rxc6+- 2.64/22 Nxc6 27.Kd3]
[26.Rxc6± 1.11/24 Nxc6 27.Kd3]

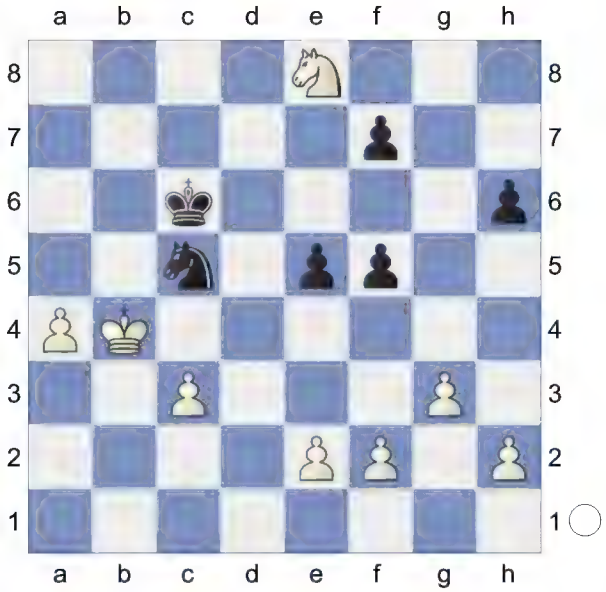


26...Ke8= White now steadily converts the win. **27.Kb3** **Rxd6** **28.Nxd6++-** KN-KN **28...Kd7** **29.Ne4** **f5** **30.Nc5+** **Kc6**

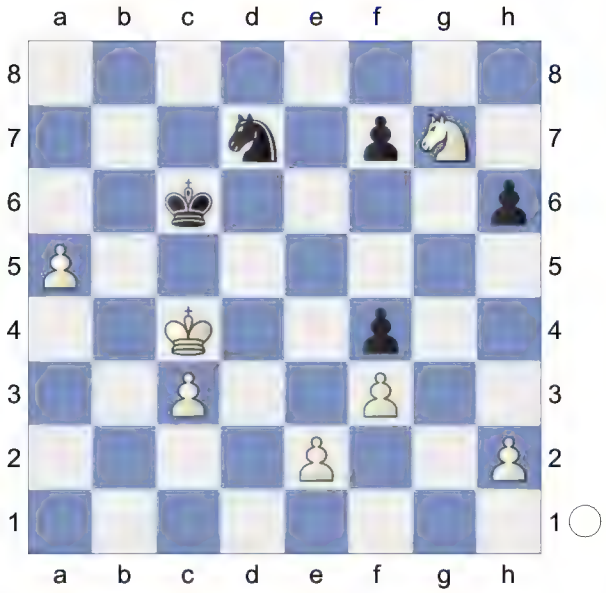


31.Nxa6 **Kb5** 4.02/23
[⌓31...Nb7 2.83/21 32.Nb4+ Kb5 33.a4+ Kb6]
32.Nc7+ White is clearly winning.

32...Kc6 33.Ne8 h6 34.a4 Ne6 35.Kb4 Nc5



36.Ng7 f4 37.gxf4 exf4 38.f3 Na6+ 39.Kc4 Nc5 6.91/25
[⌓39...Nc7 4.32/27 40.h4 Nd5]
40.a5 Nd7



41.Nh5 Ne5+ 42.Kd4 Ng6 43.Ke4 Kb5 44.Nxf4 Nf8 45.Ke5

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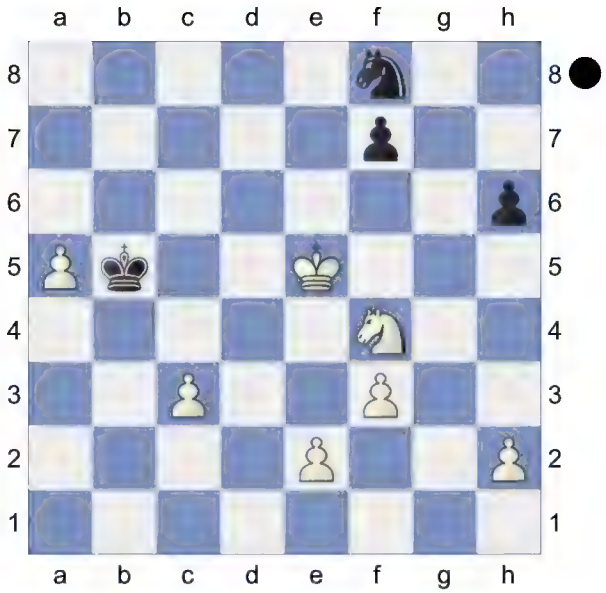
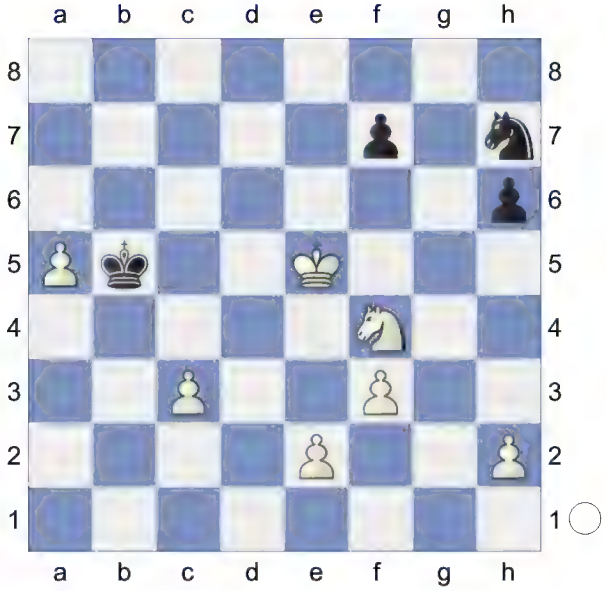


Threatens to win with Kd6. **45...Nh7**



46.Kd6 Kxa5 47.Ke7 Kb5 48.Kxf7 #22/27
[48.h4+- 25.81/29 f6 49.Kf7]
48...Kc4 49.h4

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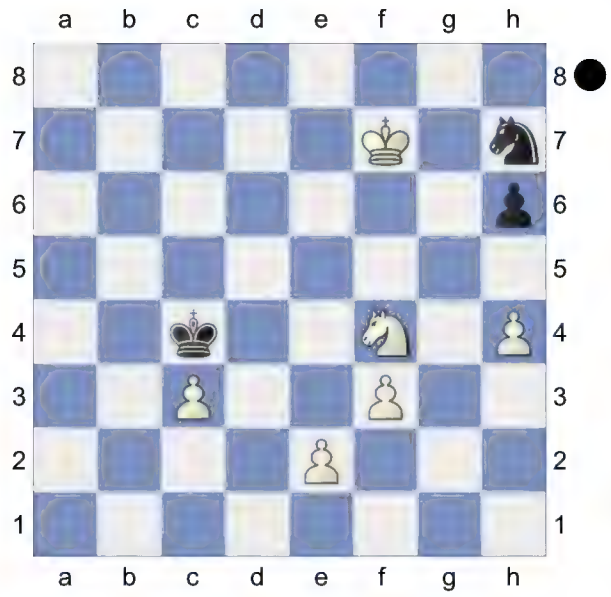

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20 **B13**
□ **toomanymanoevres** **2917**
■ **KAVO_LIDER** **2690**
Blitz 11.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

B13: Caro-Kann: Exchange Variation and Panov-Botvinnik Attack **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3 cxd4 4.exd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6**

6.Nf3 Bg4N
[6...g6 7.Bg5 Be6 8.Qb3 Na5 9.Qa4+ Bd7 10.Qd1 dxc4 11.Qd2 Bg7 12.Ne5 Rc8 13.Be2 0-0 14.h4 h5 15.Bf3 Be6 16.0-0 Nd7 17.Qe3 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Qc7 19.Qxa7 Bxe5 20.Nb5 Qc5 21.Qxa5 Wagner,H-Krause,O Copenhagen 1930 EXT 2017 [ChessBase] ½-½]
7.Bg5 e6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Be2 The position is equal. **9...Bb4 10.0-0 0-0**

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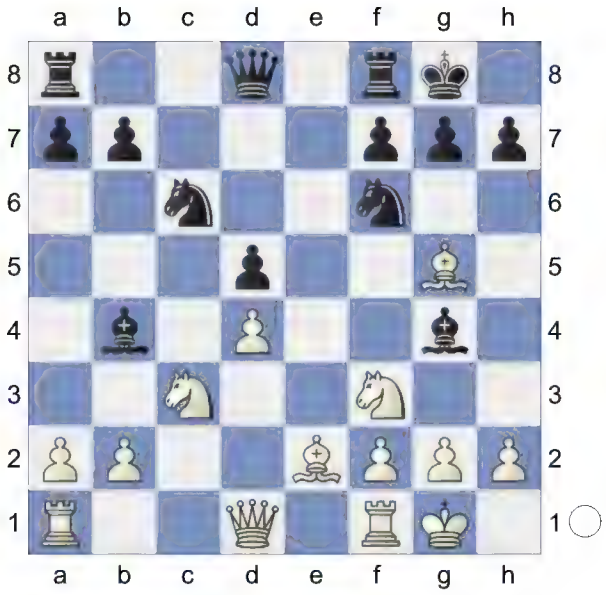
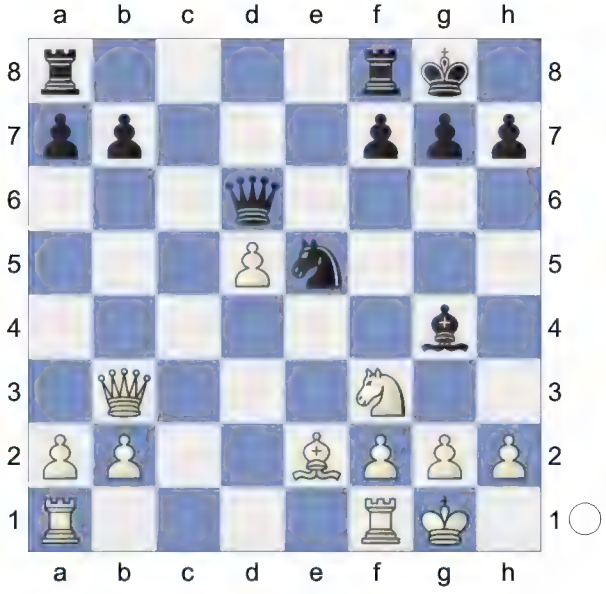


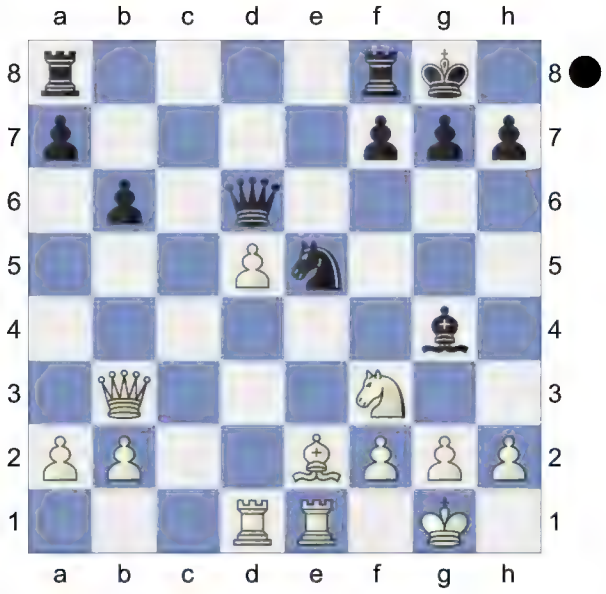
11.Bxf6 Qxf6
[11...gxf6 12.Nh4 Bxe2 13.Nxe2±]
12.Nxd5 Qd6 13.Nxb4 Nxb4 0.68/19
[⌓13...Qxb4 0.34/21 14.Qb3 *(14.d5 Rad8±)* 14...Qxb3 15.axb3 Rfd8]
14.Qb3± Nc6 1.05/22
[14...a5± 0.63/19]
15.d5±
[15.Qxb7?! Rab8 16.Qa6 Rxb2±]
15...Ne5



16.Rad1
[But not 16.Qxb7? Bxf3 17.Qa6 *(17.gxf3? Rfb8-+)* 17...Qxa6

18.Bxa6 Bxd5-+]

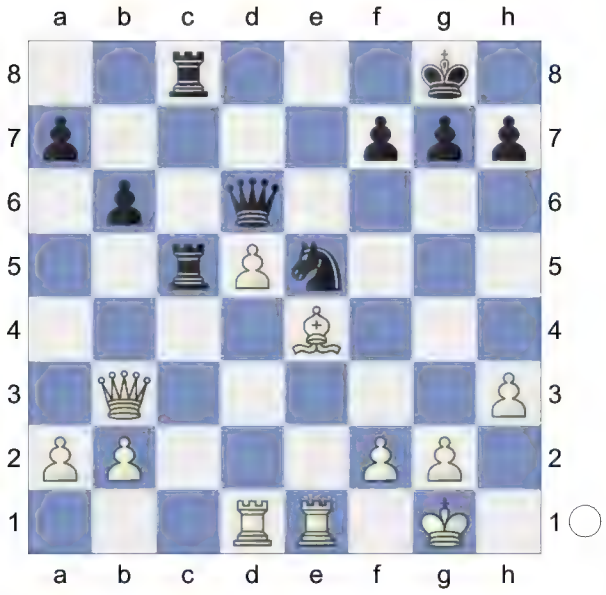
16...b6 17.Rfe1



And now Nxe5 would win. **17...Bxf3 18.Bxf3**

[Don't do 18.gxf3?! Rad8±]

18...Rac8 19.h3 Rc5 20.Be4 Rfc8



21.Bf5 Rd8 22.Qe3 f6 1.99/20

[22...Nc4± 1.10/19 23.Qd4 *(23.Qe8+ Qf8±)* 23...g6]

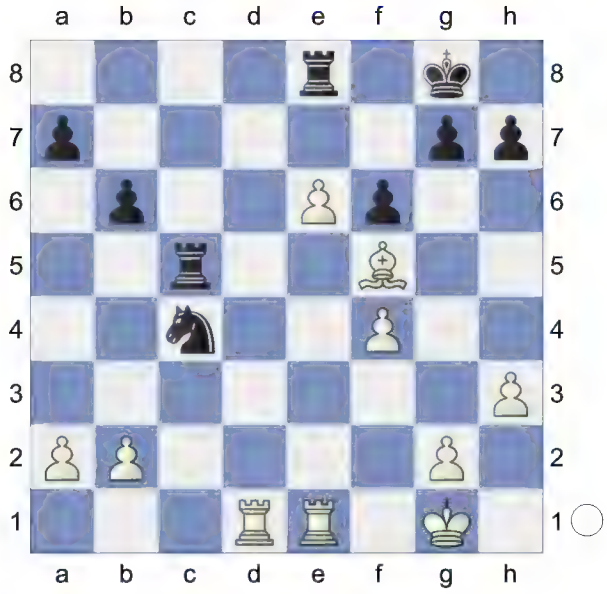
23.f4 Nc4 2.94/22

[⌓23...Ng6 1.63/20 24.g3 Nf8 25.Be6+ Kh8]

24.Qe6++- Qxe6 25.dxe6 3.06/25

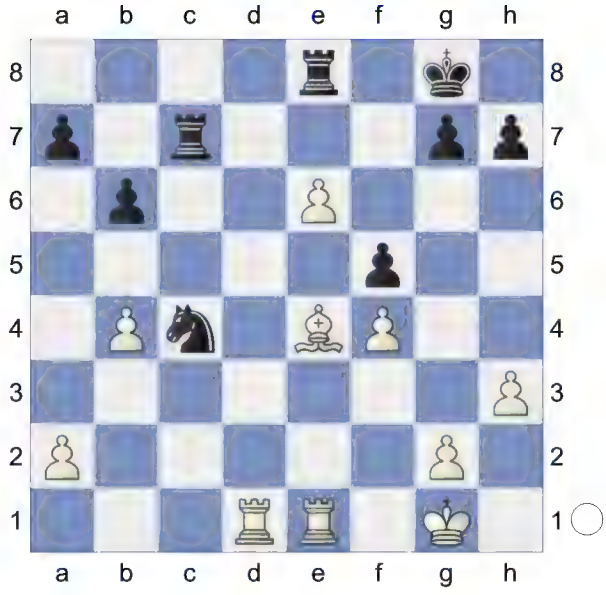
[⌓25.Bxe6+ 1.93/22 Kf8 26.b4]

25...Re8



26.Be4 f5 27.b4 Rc7 8.00/24

[27...Rcc8 3.98/24 28.Bxf5 g6]



28.Bxf5 3.82/22

[⌓28.Rd7! 8.00/24]

28...g6 29.Bg4 Ree7 30.Rd7 Kf8

[30...Rcxd7? 31.exd7 Rxd7 32.Bxd7+-]

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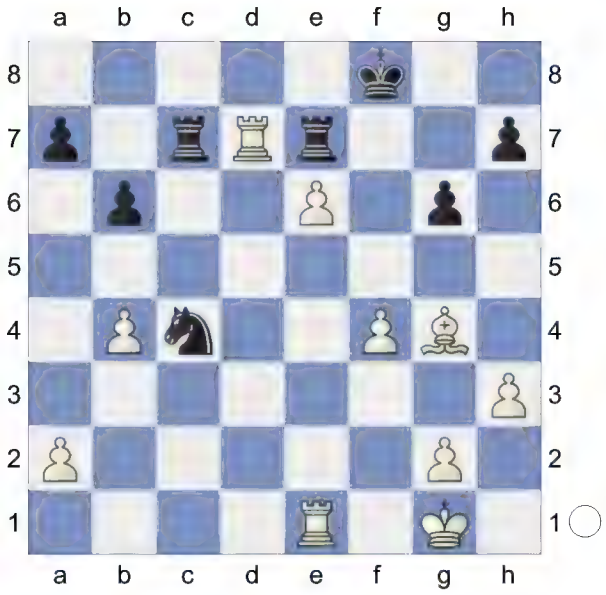
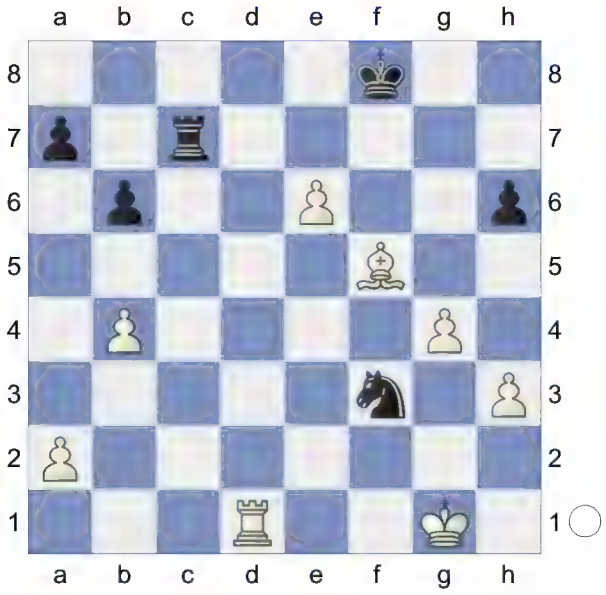
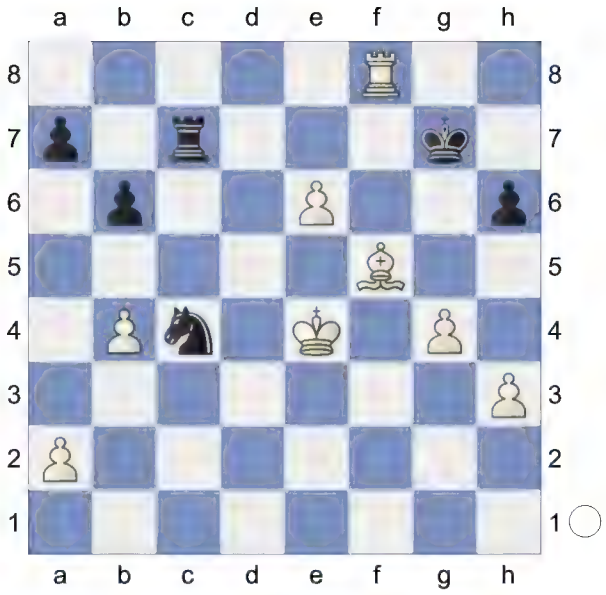


31.Rxc7 Rxc7 Endgame KRB-KRN
32.f5 Strongly threatening f6. **32...gxf5**
33.Bxf5 h6 34.g4 Hoping for Rc1.
34...Nd2? 5.67/23
[34...Nd6 1.91/22 35.Kf2 Ke7]
35.Rd1 Nf3+

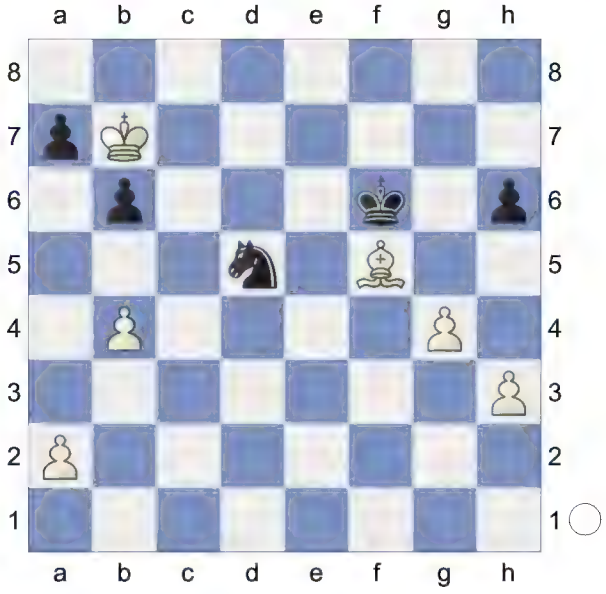


36.Kf2 Ne5 37.Ke3 Ke7 38.Ke4 Kf6
39.Rd8 aiming for Rh8. **39...Nc4**
40.Rf8+ Kg7

(Diagram)



41.Rf7+ Rxf7 42.exf7 Kxf7 KB-KN
43.Kd5 Ne3+ 44.Kc6 Kf6 45.Kb7 Nd5



46.b5 Nc3 47.Bd3 Nxa2 48.Kxa7 Nc3
49.Kxb6 Kg5 50.Kc6 Nxb5

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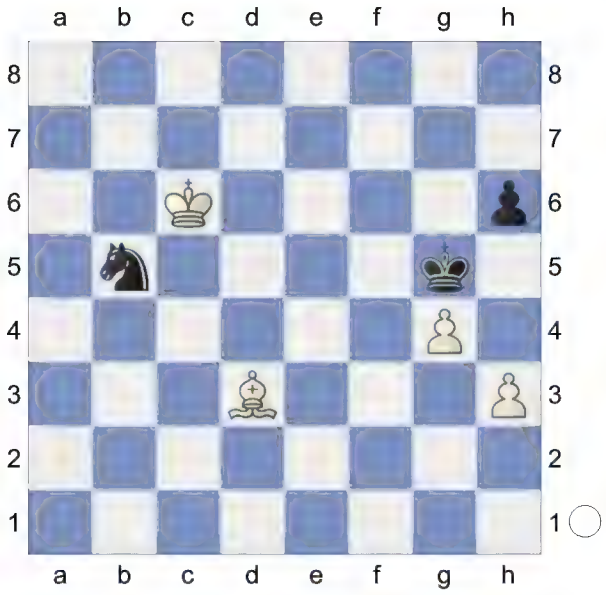
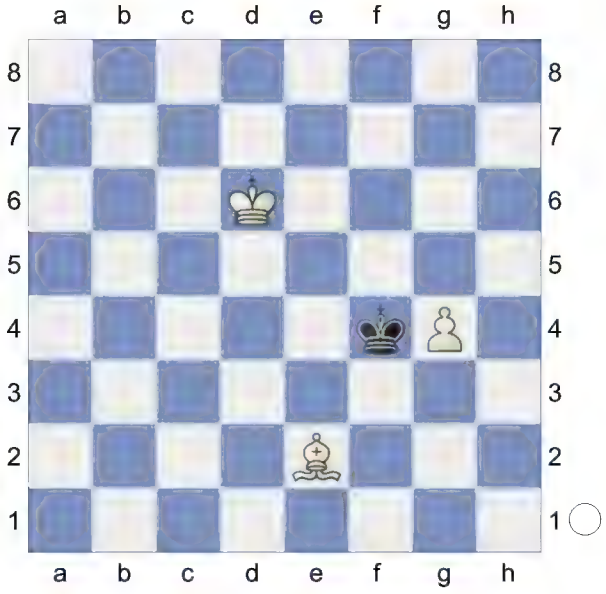


51.Bxb5 KB-KP **51...Kh4 52.Bf1 h5 53.Be2 Kg5 54.Kd6 hxg4 55.hxg4 Kf4**



56.Ke6 Kg5 57.Ke5 Kh6 58.Kf6 Threatening mate with g5+. **58...Kh7 59.g5 Kh8 60.g6 Kg8**

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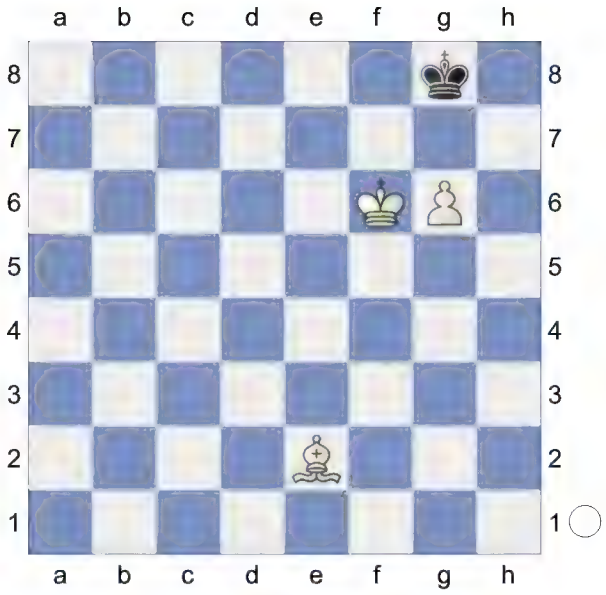
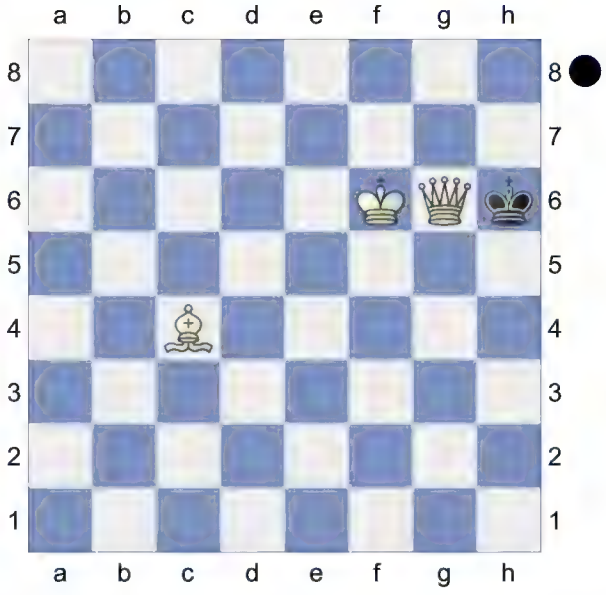


61.Bc4+ 12.92/5
[⌓61.g7 #4/10 Kh7 62.Bc4 Kh6 63.g8Q Kh5 64.Qg5#]
61...Kh8 62.g7+ White mates. **62...Kh7 63.g8Q+ Kh6 64.Qg6#**



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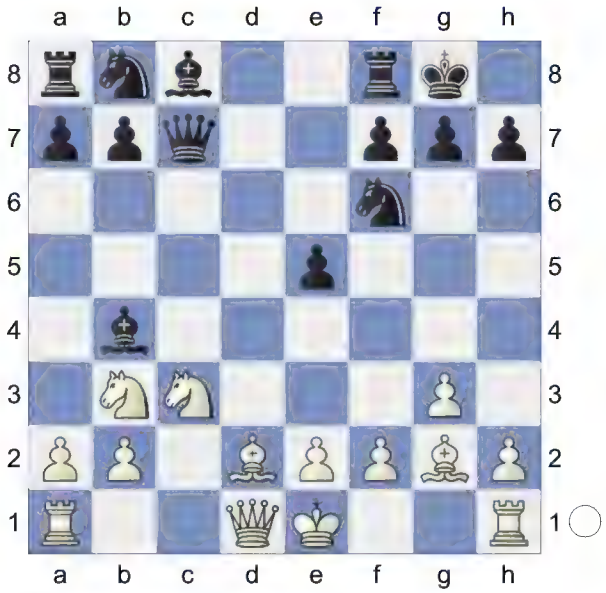
21 **D06**
□ **fear0const** **2907**
■ **MrSOK** **2641**
Blitz 30.08.2021
[Kitty Kat]

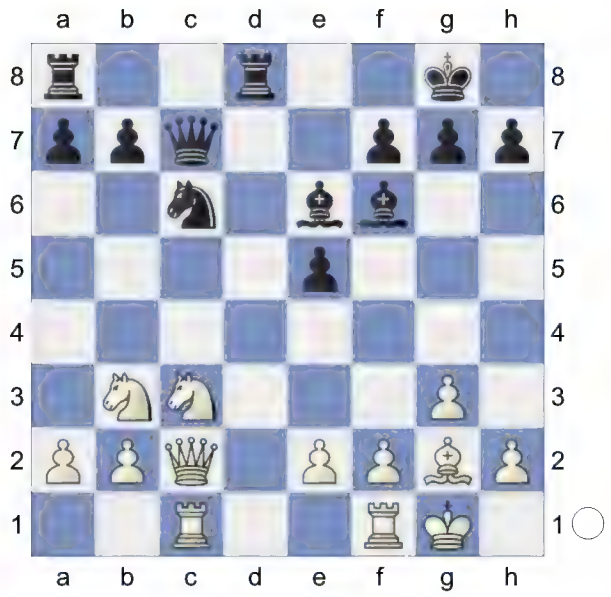
Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Inhibits e4. **7.g3N**
[7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-N, N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
7...e5 8.Nb3 White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bg2** Prevents Qc6. **9...Bb4! 10.Bd2 0-0**

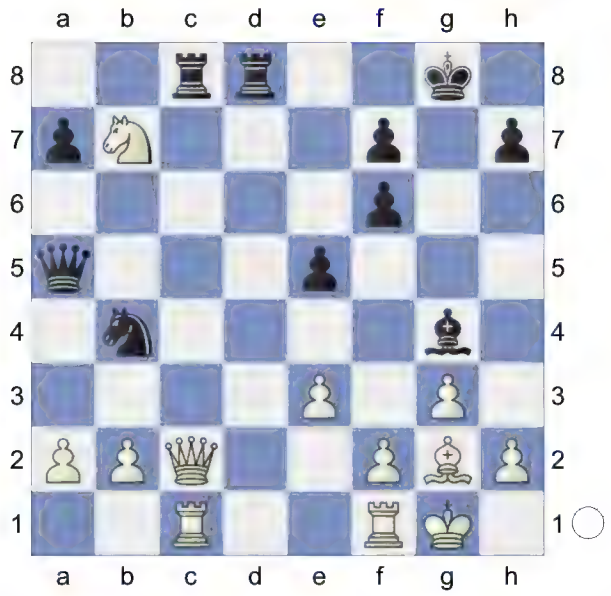


11.0-0 Nb5 is the strong threat. **11...Nc6 12.Rc1 Rd8 13.Qc2 Be6 14.Bg5 Be7**
[14...Rac8!?]
15.Bxf6 Bxf6 0.78/20
[15...gxf6= 0.19/20 remains equal. 16.Be4 h6]

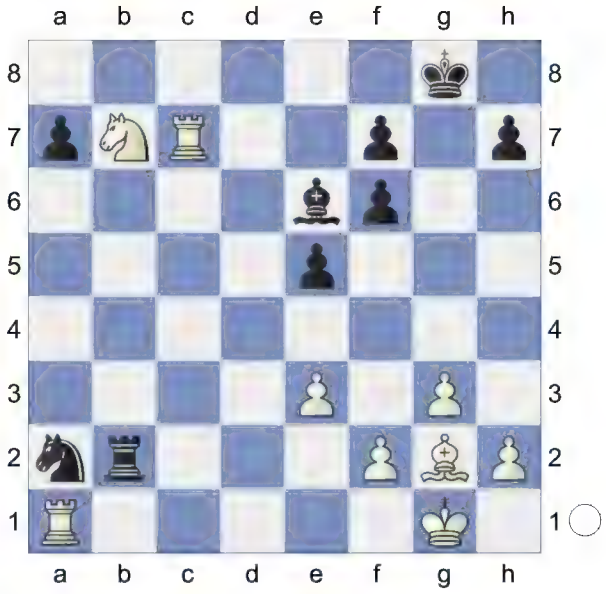
(Diagram)



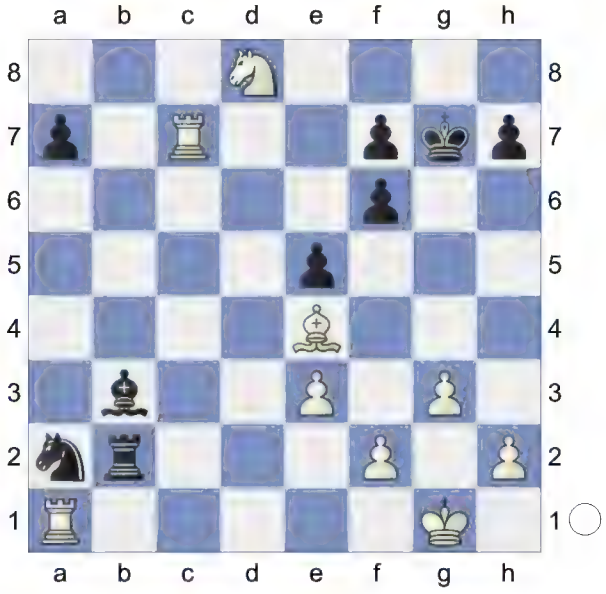
16.Nc5± Black is on the road to losing.
16...Bg4 1.45/19
[Better is 16...Qe7 0.87/19 17.Nxe6 Qxe6]
17.e3 Rac8 1.98/21
[17...Nb4± 1.46/20 18.Qe4 Qxc5 19.Qxg4 Be7]
18.Nd5 Qa5 5.64/24
[18...Qb8 1.97/20 19.Qa4 Be2]
19.Nxf6+ gxf6 20.Nxb7 Nb4 9.79/22
[⌓20...Qb4 5.00/21 21.Nxd8 Nxd8]



21.Qxc8!+- Bxc8 22.Nxa5 Nxa2
23.Rc7 Be6 24.Nb7 Rd2 25.Ra1 Rxb2

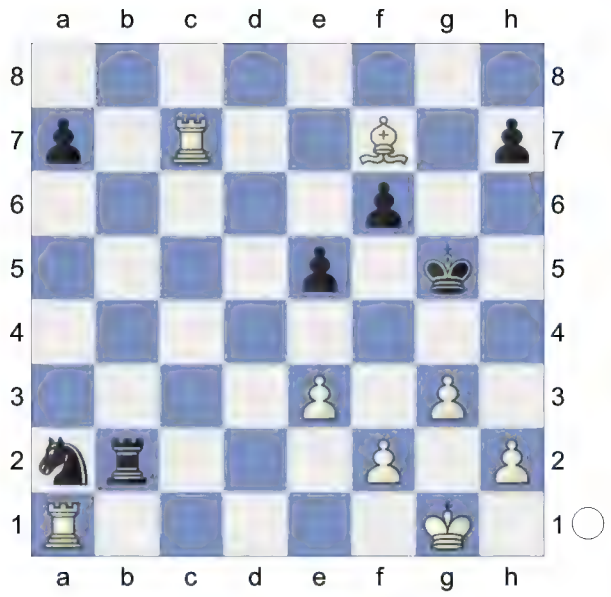


26.Nd8 Bb3 27.Be4 Kg7

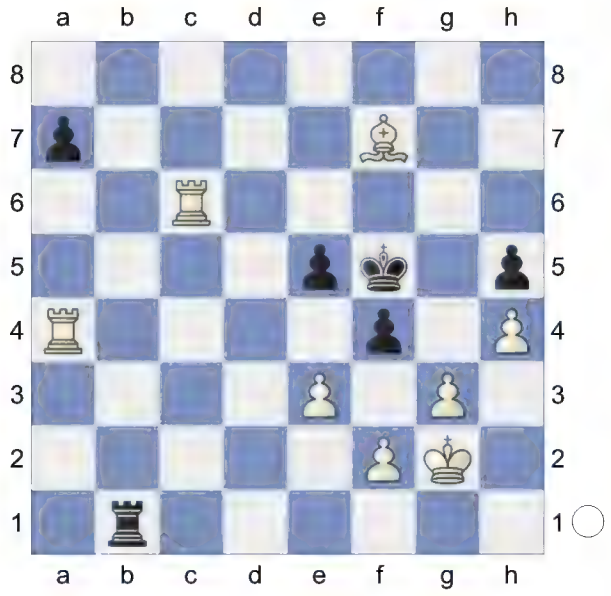


28.Nxf7! Bxf7
[28...f5 29.Nd6+]
29.Bd5 Kg6 30.Bxf7+ Kg5

(Diagram)



31.Rxa2 Rb1+ 32.Kg2 Intending h4+ and mate. **32...h5 33.Ra4** White mates. **33...f5 34.Rc6 f4 35.h4+ Kf5**



36.e4+ Kg4 37.f3#

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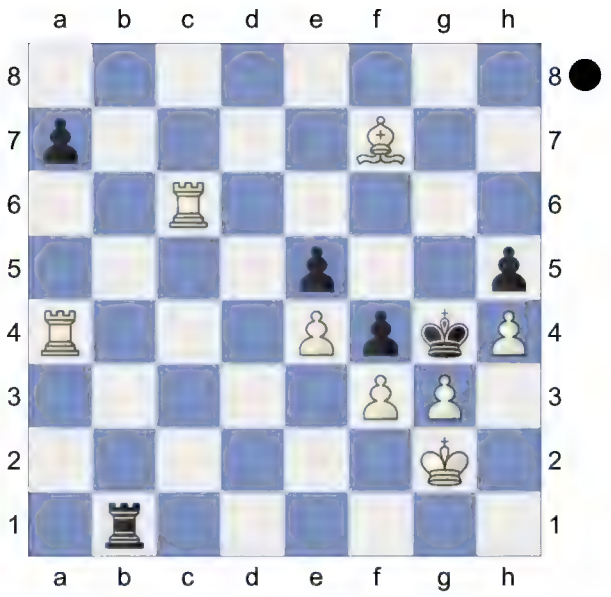

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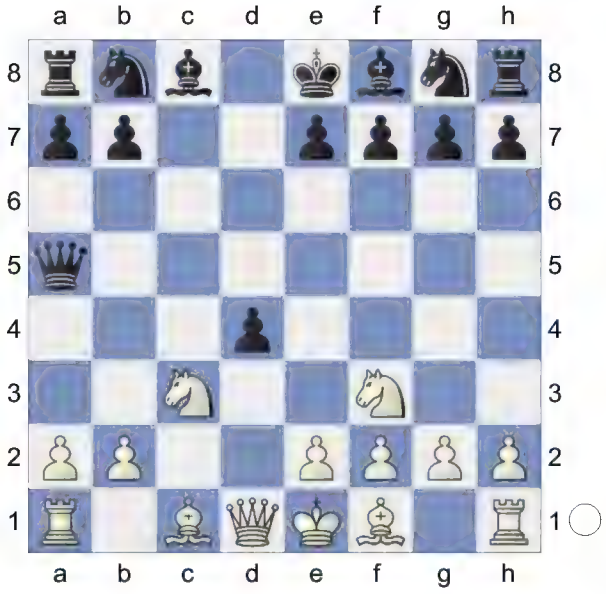
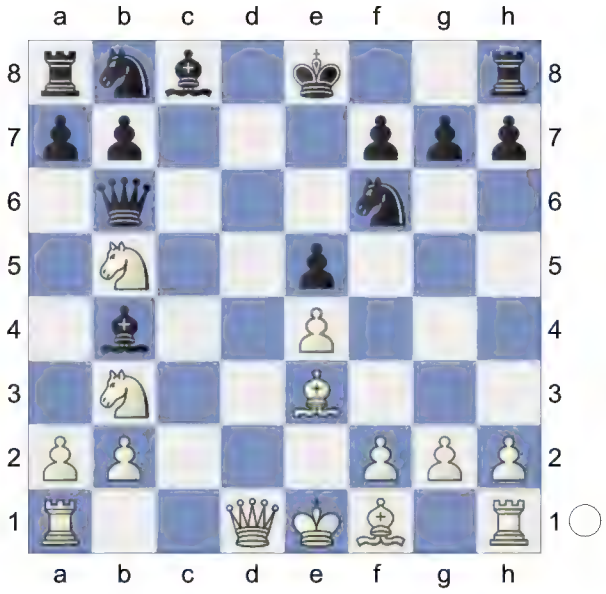
22 **D06**
□ **Tal-Baron** **2904**
■ **KAVO_LIDER** **2681**
Blitz 10.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**



6.Nxd4 Nf6 Inhibits e4. **7.Nb3**
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

7...Qc7 8.Nb5N The position is equal.
[8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5 Bb3 Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)]
8...Qb6 0.67/22
[8...Qc6= 0.17/20 9.a4 a6]
9.e4!± e5
[9...Nxe4? 10.Be3 Qd8 11.Qc2+-]
10.Be3 Bb4+

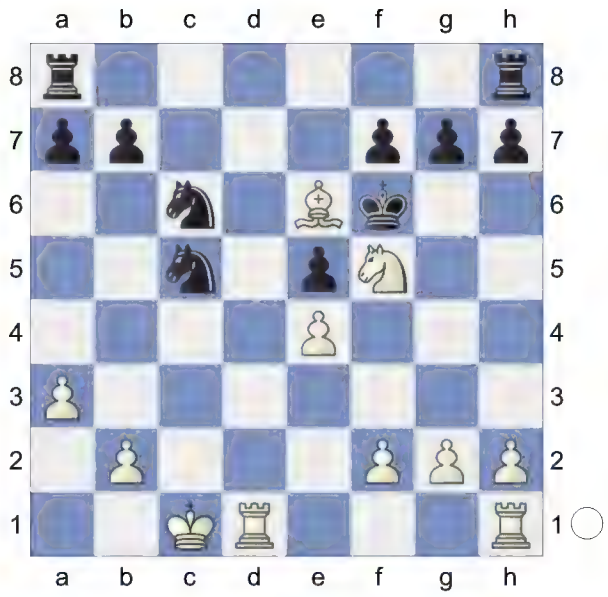


11.Nd2! Qd8 12.a3! Bxd2+ 1.49/22
[⌓12...Be7 0.86/20]
13.Qxd2± Nc6 2.11/21
[13...Qxd2+± 1.49/20 might work better. 14.Bxd2 Na6]
14.Qxd8+ Kxd8 15.0-0-0+ 1.18/21
[⌓15.Rd1+ 1.55/20 Bd7 16.Bc4]
15...Bd7

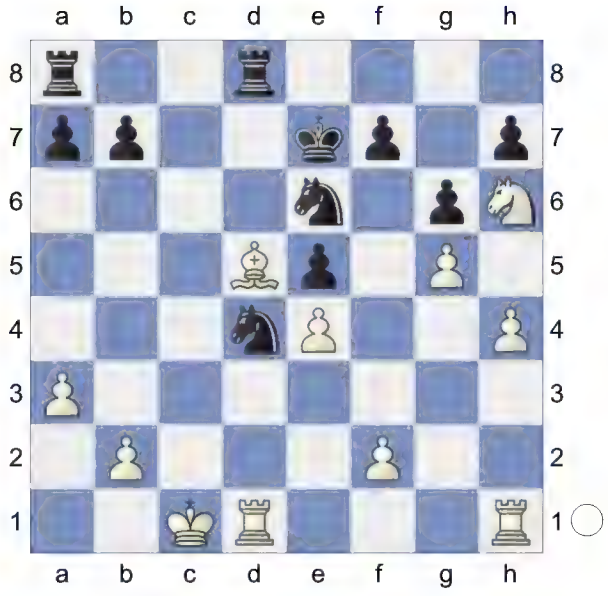
(Diagram)

16.Nd6 Ke7 1.90/22
[16...Kc7± 1.09/22]
17.Bc4 0.87/22
[Weaker is 17.Bc5 b6 18.Nf5+ Kd8±]
[17.Nxb7+- 1.90/22 is more deadly. Hoping for Bc5+. Nd4 18.Bxd4 exd4 19.Rxd4]
17...Be6

18.Bc5 0.37/22 A strong pair of Bishops.
[18.Nxb7!± 1.08/21 Bc5+ is the strong threat. Nxe4 19.Bd3]
18...Nd7± 19.Nf5+ Kf6 20.Bxe6! Nxc5



21.Bd5 Rhd8 22.g4 0.01/21
[22.Kb1± 0.45/18 should be considered.]
22...g6⇄ Black is fighting back **23.Nh6 Ne6** 0.42/22
[23...Ne7!= 0.01/21]
24.h4± Ncd4 25.g5+ Ke7!



26.f4 -0.22/22
[White should play 26.Ng4± 0.70/21]
26...Nxf4
[26...Ne2+ feels hotter. 27.Kb1 exf4 28.Rd3 Ng3]
27.Nxf7? -3.66/23

[27.Rhf1!= -0.14/22 and White is okay. Nb5 28.Bxb7 Rxd1+ 29.Rxd1]

27...Rxd5-+ The board is on fire.

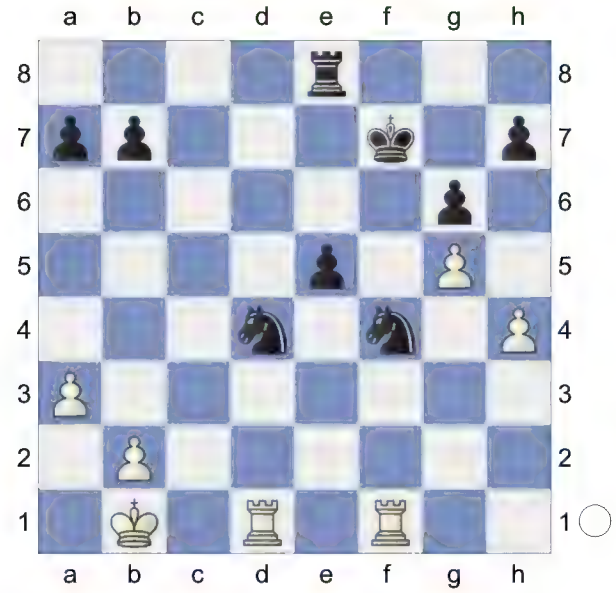
28.exd5 Kxf7 29.Rhe1 Re8

[Stronger than 29...Nxd5 30.Rxe5 Rc8+ 31.Kb1=]

30.Kb1 Nxd5

31.Rf1+ Nf4? 0.01/24

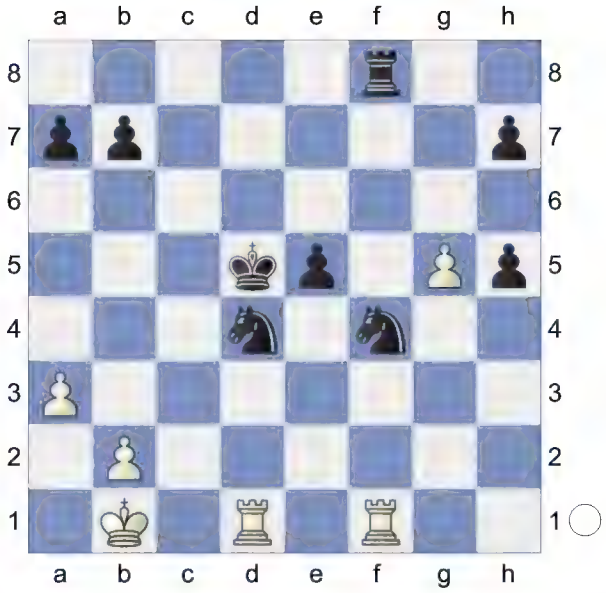
[Black should try 31...Ke7-+ -4.40/21 And now ...Ne3 would win. 32.Rde1 Kd6]



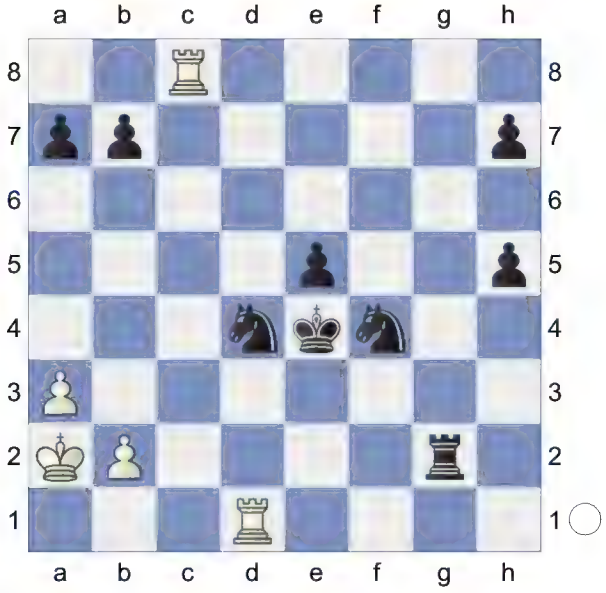
32.Rh1? -5.92/21

[32.Rxd4!= 0.01/24 exd4 33.Rxf4+ Ke6 34.Re4+ Kf7 35.Rxd4]

32...Ke6 33.Rhe1 Kd5 34.Rf1 Rf8 35.h5 gxh5



36.Rh1 Rf7 37.Ka2 Rf5 38.Rc1 Rxg5 39.Rhd1 Rg2 40.Rc8 Ke4



41.Rd8 Nd3 42.Rd2 Rxd2 43.Rg8 Rxb2+ 44.Ka1 Nb3#

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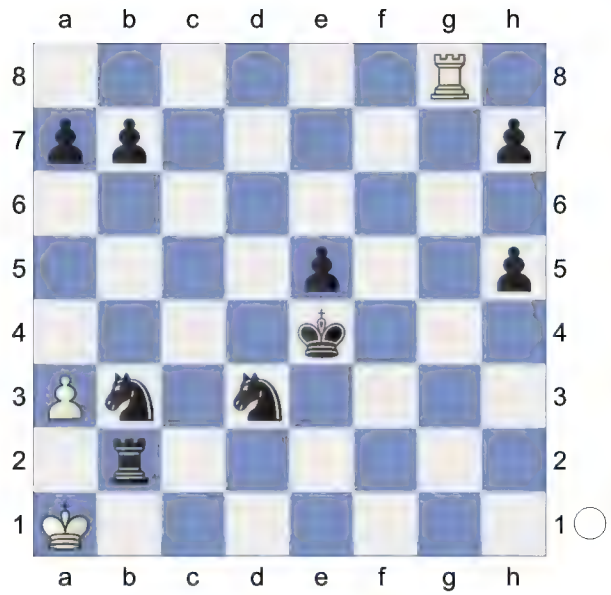

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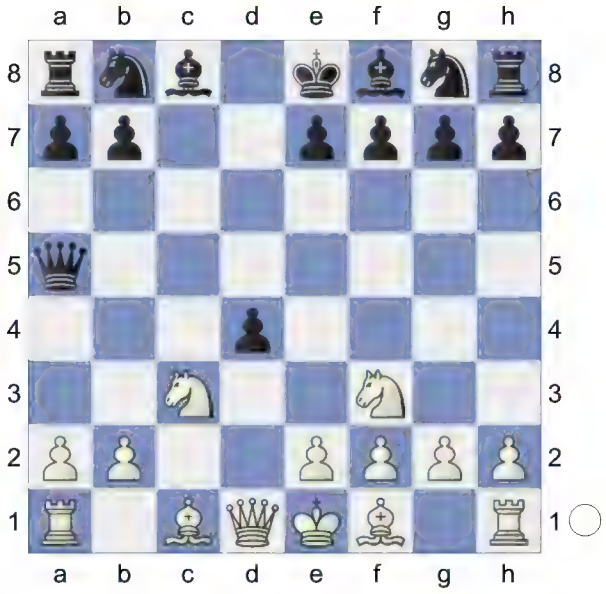
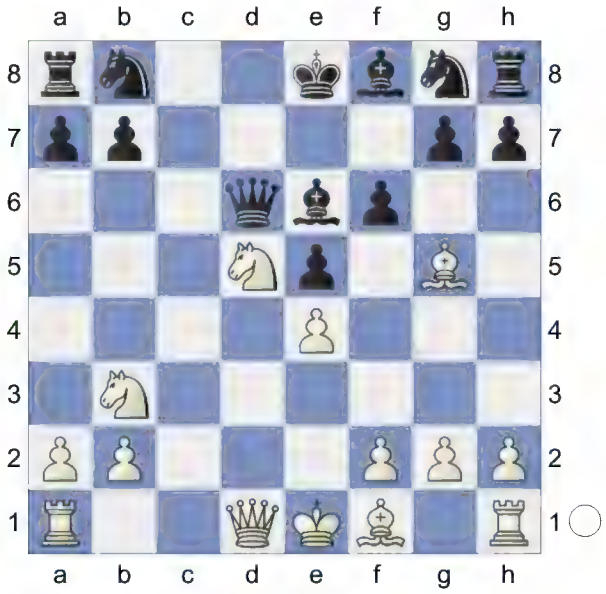
23 **D06**
□ **Arseniii_Nesterov** **2904**
■ **thujer** **2779**
Blitz 05.04.2023
[Kitty Kat]

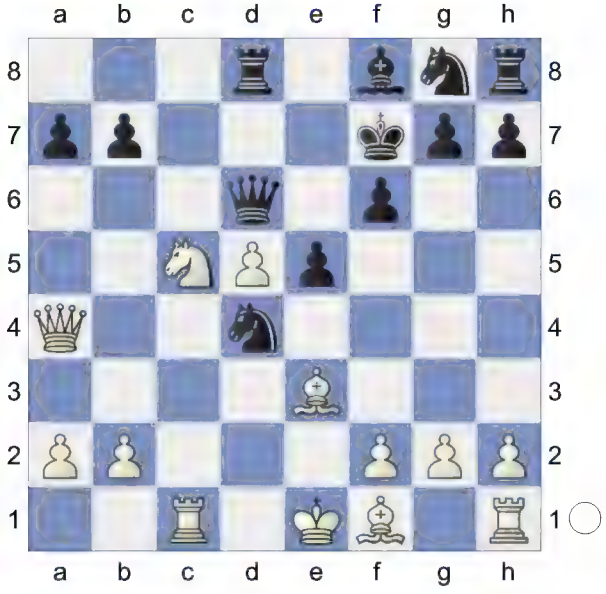
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 cxd4 4.Nf3 Qxd5N**
[4...Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 *(7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5* Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) *22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6* Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)*)* 7...Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Nimzowitsch,A (2550)-Giersing,J Copenhagen 1924 [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] 1-0 (68) Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Brandics,J (2550)-N,N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/ année] 1-0 (68)]
5.Nc3 Qa5



6.Nxd4 e5 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.Nd5 White is slightly better. **8...Qd6 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.63/21
[9...h6= 0.17/19 should be considered. 10.Bh4 Be6]
10.e4 And now Rc1 would win. **10...f6** 0.92/18
[10...Bxd5± 0.37/19 11.Qxd5 Qxd5 12.exd5 Bb4+ 13.Ke2 *(13.Bd2 Bxd2+ 14.Nxd2 Nf6=)* 13...h6]



11.Be3± &Bianco is much more active.
[11.Bb5+ Nd7 12.Be3 Bxd5 13.Qxd5 Qxd5 14.exd5 a6±]
11...Nc6 1.58/20
[⌓11...Bxd5 0.95/19 12.exd5 *(12.Qxd5 Qxd5 13.exd5 Bb4+ 14.Ke2 Ne7±)* 12...Nd7]
12.Nc5
[12.Bc5?! Qd8±]
12...Bxd5 13.exd5 Nd4 14.Rc1 1.01/20
[Don't blunder 14.Nxb7? Qb4+ 15.Bd2 Qxb7-+]
[Much less strong is 14.Bxd4 exd4 15.Ne6 *(15.Nxb7? Qb4+ 16.Qd2 Qxb7-+)* 15...Qb4+ 16.Qd2 Kf7±]
[14.Qa4++- 1.70/21 Kf7 15.Nxb7 *(15.Bxd4 exd4 16.Nd3 Qxd5=)* 15...Qb4+ 16.Qxb4 Bxb4+ 17.Kd1 *(17.Bd2 Rb8=)*]
14...Rd8? 3.61/21
[14...Rc8± 1.01/20]
15.Qa4+ Kf7



16.Nxb7 Qb4+ 17.Qxb4 Bxb4+ 18.Kd1 Rd7 19.Nc5 Rd6 3.83/24
[19...Rc7± 0.98/21 was necessary.]
20.Ne4 Rd7

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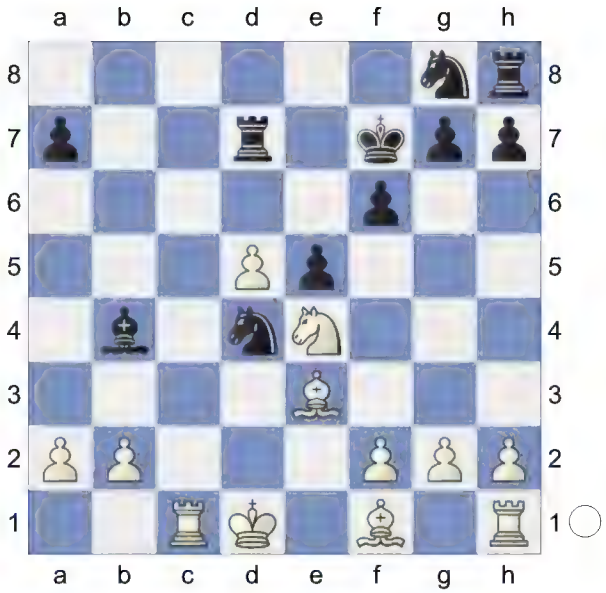
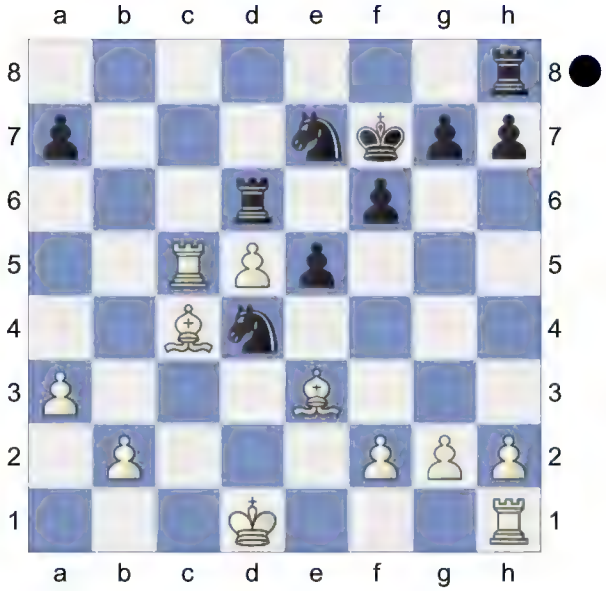


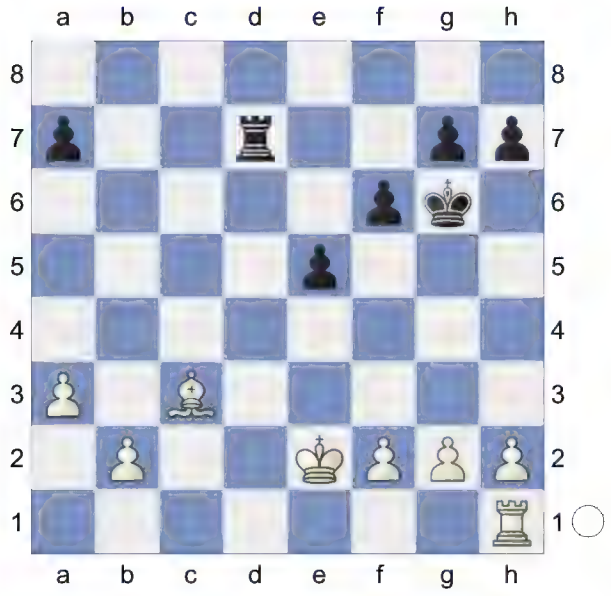
21.Nc5? 0.01/19
[21.Bxd4+- 3.49/21 exd4 22.Rc8]
21...Rd6!= 22.a3 Bxc5 23.Rxc5 Threatens to win with Bxd4. **23...Ne7 24.Bc4**



aiming for Bxd4. **24...Rhd8** 1.97/21
[24...Ne6± 1.34/21]
25.Rc7 1.13/23
[25.Bxd4+- 1.97/21 exd4 26.Rc7]
25...R8d7? 7.15/26
[25...Kf8± 1.13/23]

(Diagram)

26.Rxd7+- Rxd7 27.Bxd4
[Not 27.d6+ Ne6±]
27...Nxd5 28.Bc3 Kg6 29.Bxd5 Rxd5+ Endgame KRB-KR **30.Ke2 Rd7**



31.Rd1 Rc7 32.Rd6 Kf5 33.f3 h5 34.Ke3 g5 35.h3 Rb7

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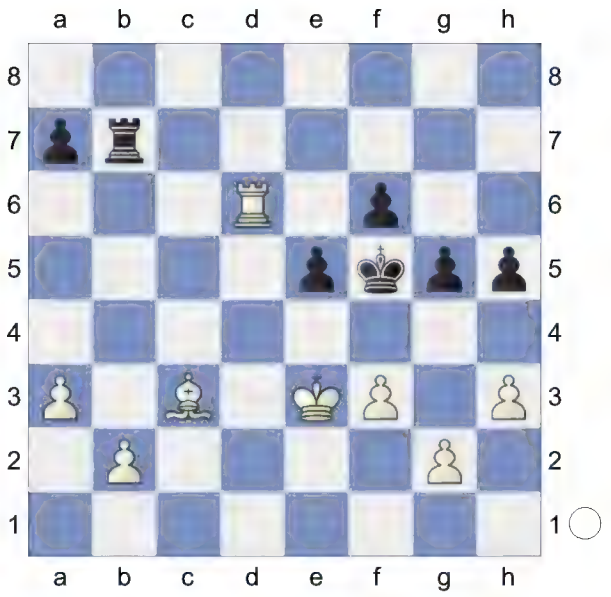
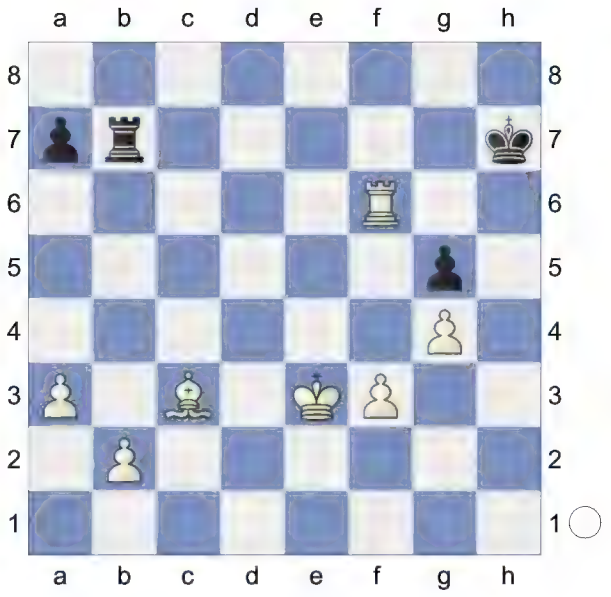


36.g4+ hxg4 37.hxg4+ Kg6 38.Bxe5 Kh7 39.Rxf6 Rb3+ 40.Bc3 Rb7



41.Rf5 Kg6 42.Rf6+? 0.01/25
[Better is 42.Ke4+- 13.85/25 Re7+ 43.Re5]
42...Kg7 #14/23
[42...Kh7= 0.01/25 43.Ra6 Re7+ 44.Kd3 Rf7]

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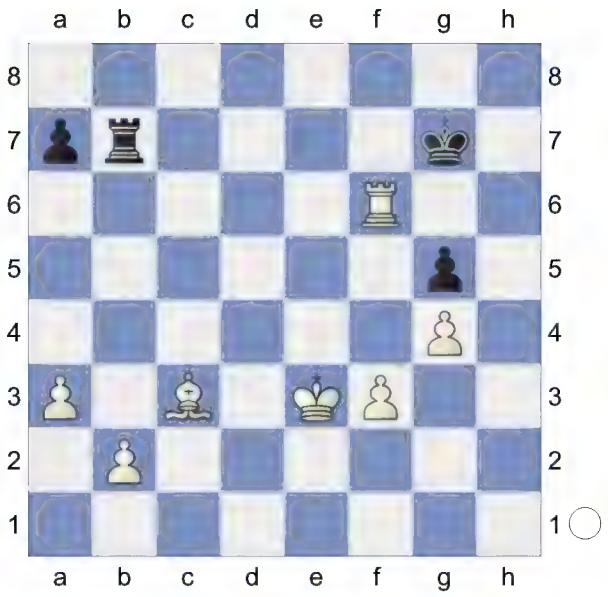
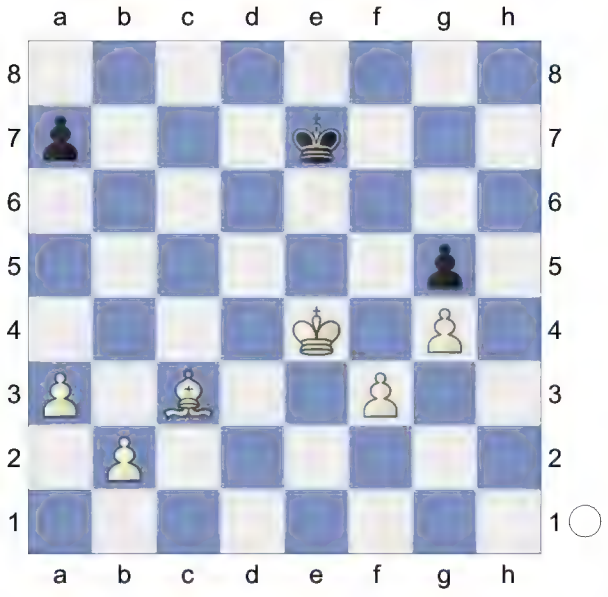


43.Ke4 14.52/27
[⌓43.Rb6+ #14/23 Kf7 44.Rxb7+ Ke6 45.Rxa7 Kd6 46.Ra5 Ke7 47.Rxg5 Kf7 48.Re5]
43...Re7+ 44.Re6+ White mates.
44...Kf7 45.Rxe7+ Kxe7



KB-KPP **46.Kf5 Kd6 47.Kxg5** KB-KP
47...Kd5 48.f4 Ke6 49.f5+ Kf7 50.Kf4 Kg8

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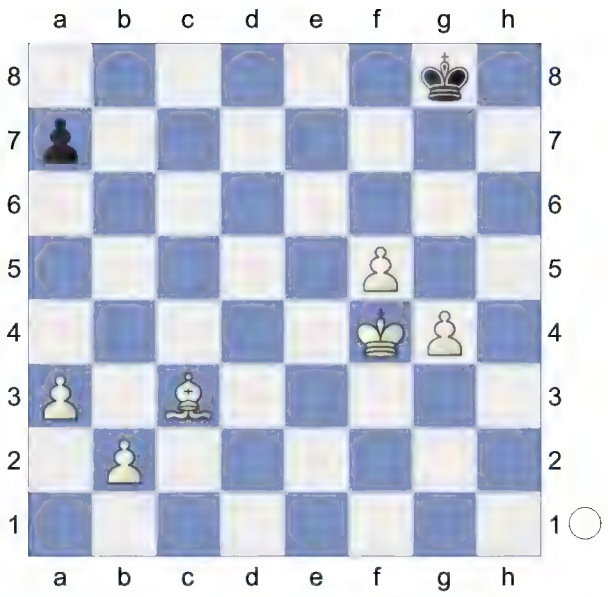
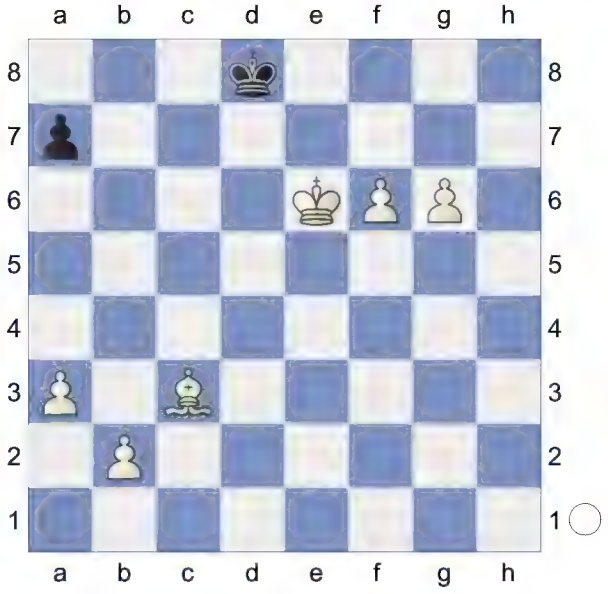


51.g5 Kf7 52.Ke5 Kg8 53.Ke6 Kf8 54.g6 Ke8 55.f6 Kd8



56.f7 Kc7 57.f8Q Kc6 58.Qd6+ Kb5 59.b3 a6 60.a4#

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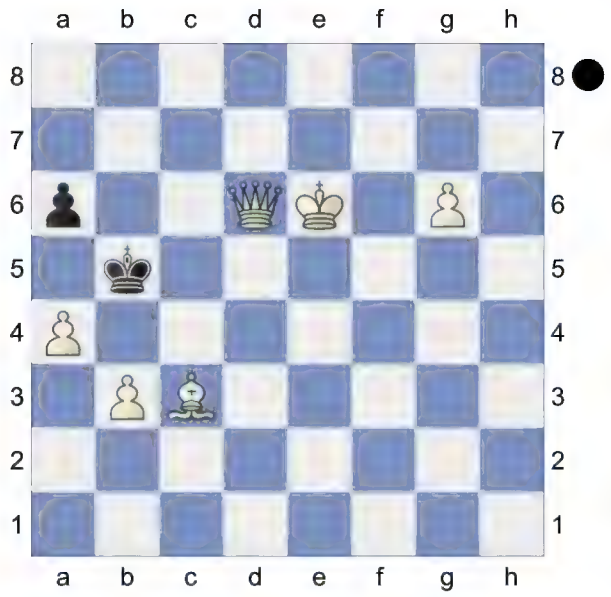

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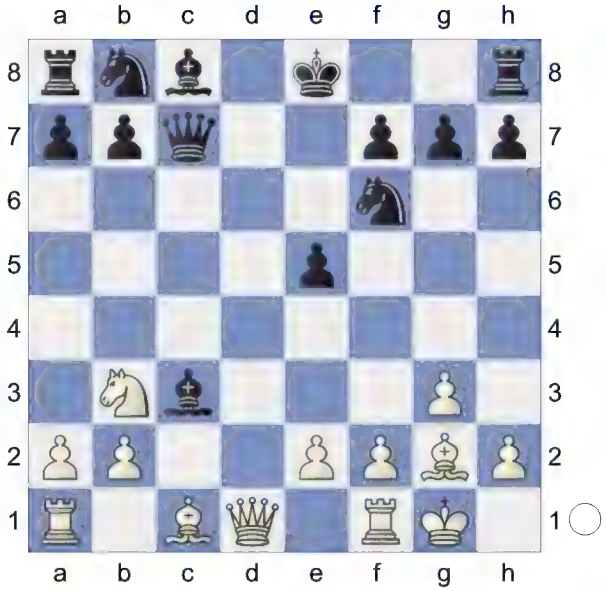
24 **D06**
□ **Tactic_Trainer2023** **2902**
■ **TigerSiberian** **2850**
Blitz 09.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

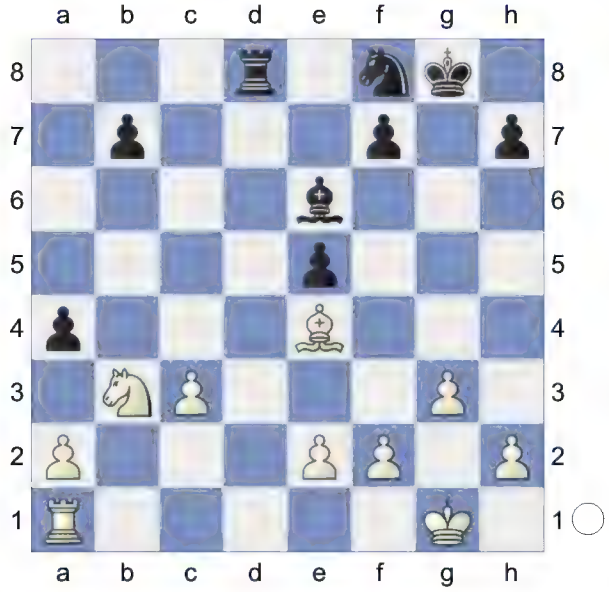
Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3N
[7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-N, N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
7...e5 **8.Nb3** White has an edge. **8...Qc7** **9.Bg2** Prevents Qc6. **9...Bb4!** **10.0-0** Black must now prevent Nb5. **10...Bxc3**

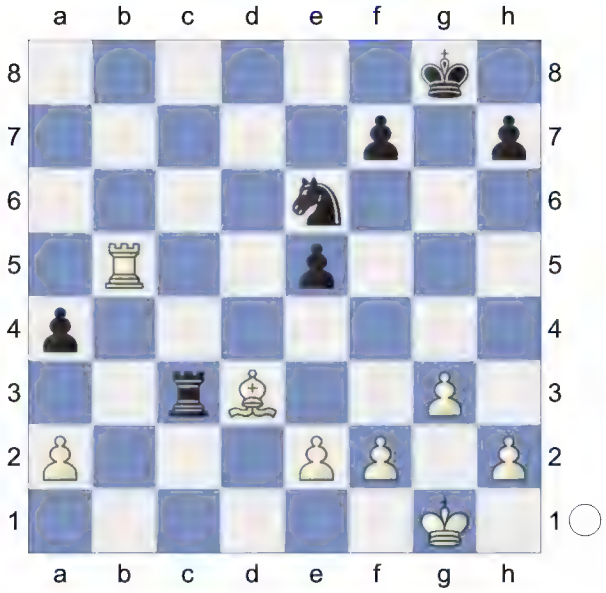


11.bxc3 Hoping for Ba3. **11...0-0** **12.Bg5 Be6** 0.50/19
[12...Nbd7= 0.15/21 should be considered.]
13.Bxf6± gxf6 14.Qd2 Nd7 0.63/19
[14...Kg7= 0.30/21]
15.Rfd1 Rfd8 0.72/21
[15...Kg7± 0.37/19]

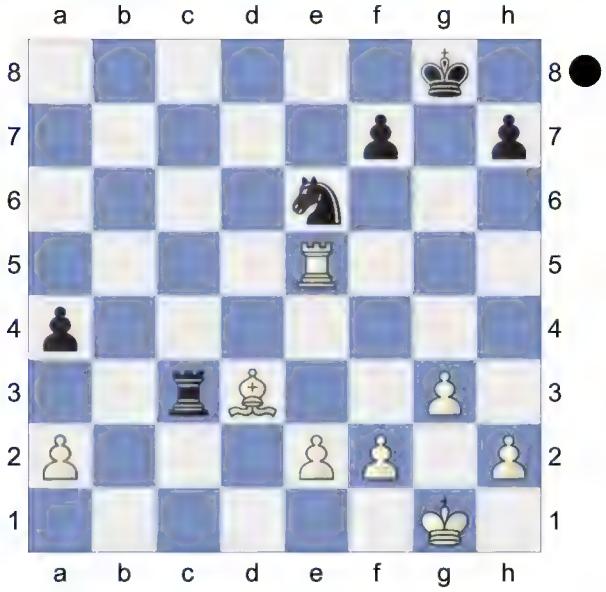
16.Qh6± a5 1.09/21
[⌓16...f5 0.71/20]
17.Be4 Nf8 18.Qxf6 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. **18...a4** 1.52/21
[⌓18...Rxd1+ 1.14/22 19.Rxd1 a4]
19.Rxd8 1.05/23
[⌓19.Nd2 1.52/21]
19...Qxd8 20.Qxd8 Dancing on a razor blade. **20...Rxd8**



21.Nc5 b5 1.44/24
[Black should try 21...Rd2 1.01/21]
22.Bd3 Rd5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.Rb1 Rc5 2.70/23
[⌓24...Nc7 1.70/23 25.Rb4 Rc5]
25.Rxb5+- Rxc3



26.Rxe5



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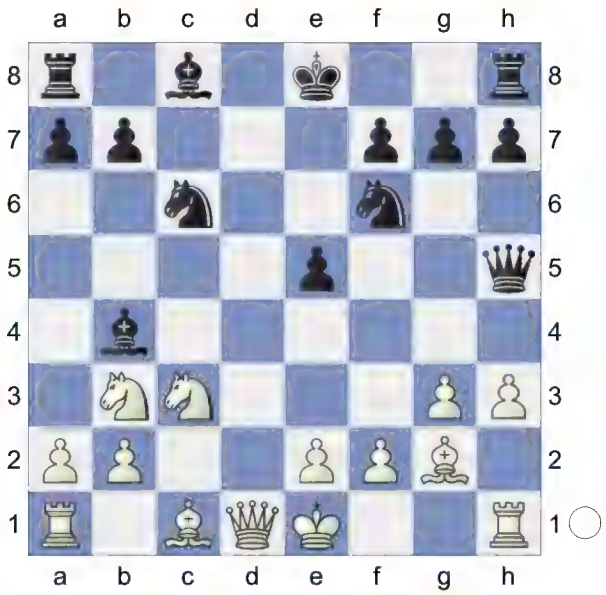
25 **D06**
□ **Iqevsll** **2889**
■ **Azerichessss** **2948**
Blitz 15.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

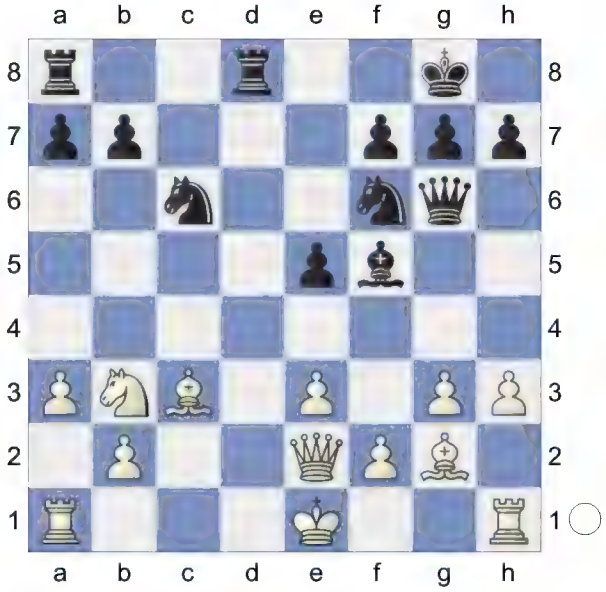
A31: Symmetrical English: 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.cxd5 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Qxd5**

6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
7...Qh5 8.g3N White has an edge.
[8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 Brandics,J (2550)-N,N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 37.hxg5 Kc8 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) 38.Ke4 Rf7 39.R3b2 Kc7 40.Rh2 Ree7 41.Rd1 Re8 42.Rhd2 Rg7 43.Nb3 Ba3 44.Rd5 Rf7 45.Nd4 Kc8 46.Nc2 Bf8 47.R1d4 Bc5 48.Rc4 Ref8 49.Kf3 Rd7 50.Rxd7 Kxd7 51.Nb4 a5 52.Ke4 axb4 Nimzowitsch,A (2550)-Giersing,J Copenhagen 1924 [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] 1-0 (68)]
8...Nc6 9.h3 e5 10.Bg2 Bb4



Prevents Na5. **11.Bd2 0-0 12.e3**

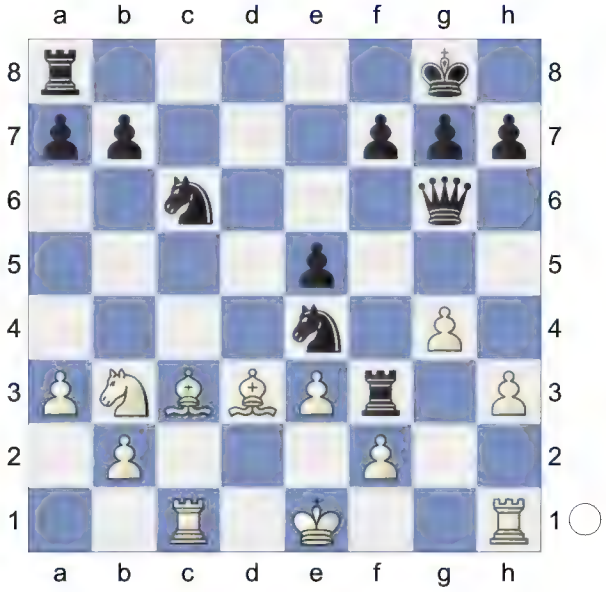
-0.73/20
[12.a3∓ -0.32/19 feels stronger. Bxc3 13.bxc3]
12...Qg6∓ 13.a3 Bxc3 -0.47/22
[13...Be7∓ -0.84/19 14.Rc1 Rd8]
14.Bxc3∓ Rd8 15.Qe2 Bf5



16.g4 -1.44/21
[16.Nc5!= -0.13/19]
16...Bd3∓ 17.Qf3 Ne4↑ Against Nc5. Black is on the roll. **18.Rc1 Rd6** -0.74/21 &Nero is much more active.
[⌓18...Rac8 -1.55/20 19.Qf5 Qxf5 20.gxf5 f6]
19.Bf1? -3.98/23
[19.Qf5∓ -0.74/21]

(Diagram)

Now White is beyond hope. **19...Rf6!-+ 20.Bxd3 Rxf3**



21.Nd2

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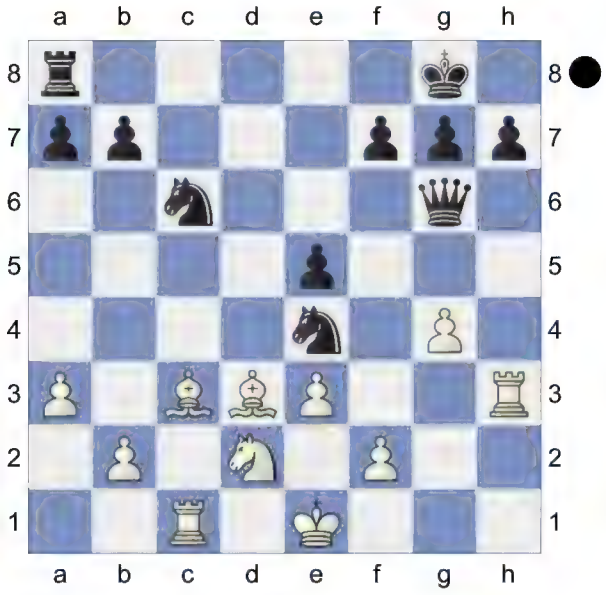
Rxh3!! 22.Rxh3



Qxg4 White must now prevent ...Qg1+.
23.Rh1 Inhibits Qg1+. **23...Nf6 24.Be2 Qf5 25.f3 Rd8**

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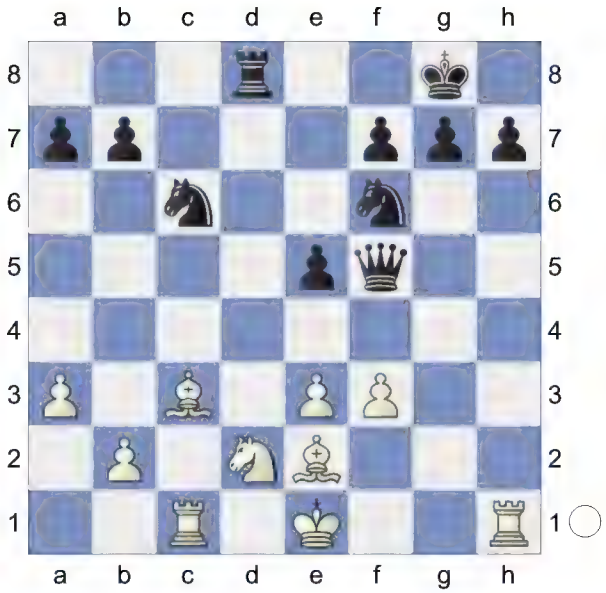
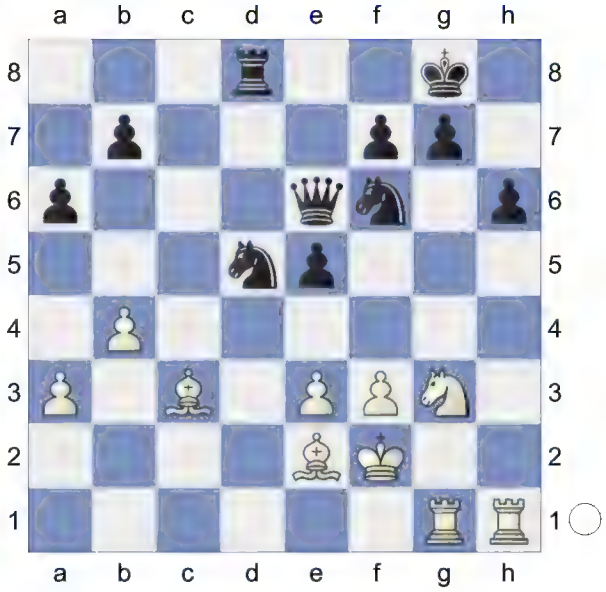


26.b4 a6 27.Nf1 h6 28.Ng3 Qe6
[Not 28...Qg5? 29.Kf2-+]
29.Kf2 Ne7 30.Rcg1 -6.01/19
[⌓30.Rh4 -4.16/17]
30...Ned5



Black is clearly winning. **31.Ba1** -7.96/21
[⌓31.Rd1 -4.99/19]
31...Kf8 32.Rh4 -8.58/21
[⌓32.Rd1 -4.25/19]

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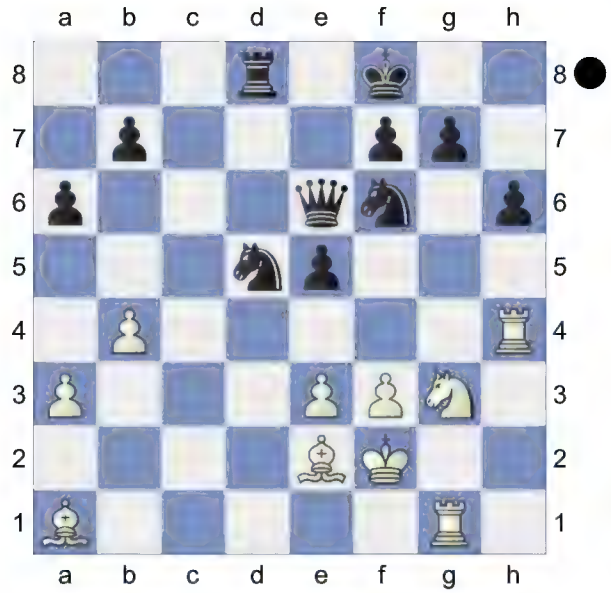
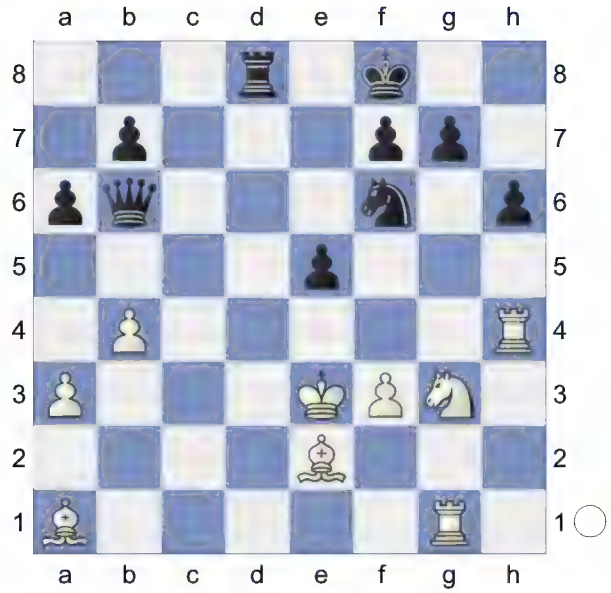


32...Nxe3! And now ...Qb6 would win.
33.Kxe3
[33.Rc1 Qb6]
33...Qb6+



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26 **D06**
□ **GMVallejo** **2887**
■ **Zayats71** **2770**
Blitz 18.10.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Bd2 e5

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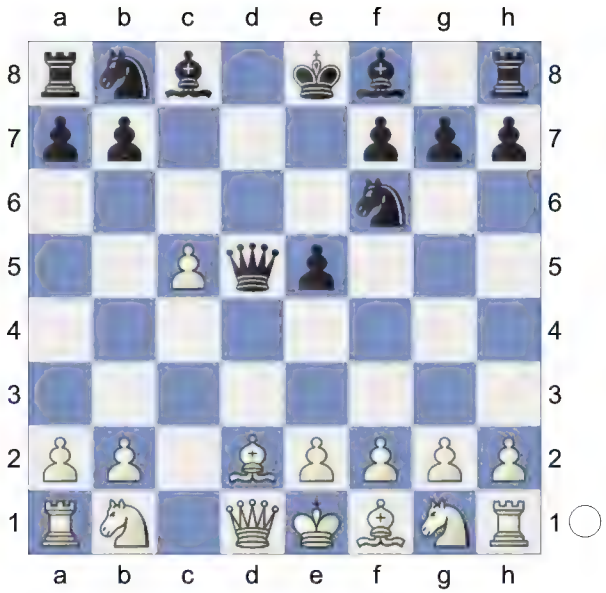
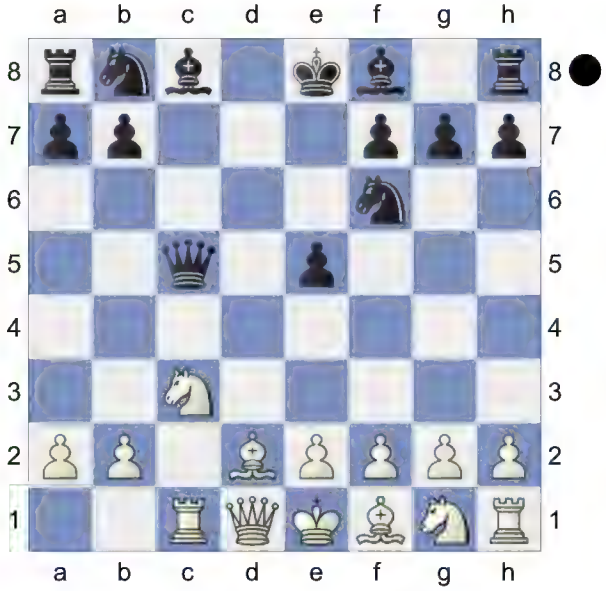


6.Nc3 Qxc5 7.Rc1



And now Na4 would win. **7...Nc6 8.g3** The position is equal. **8...Be6 9.Bg2 Ng4 10.Ne4 Qb6**

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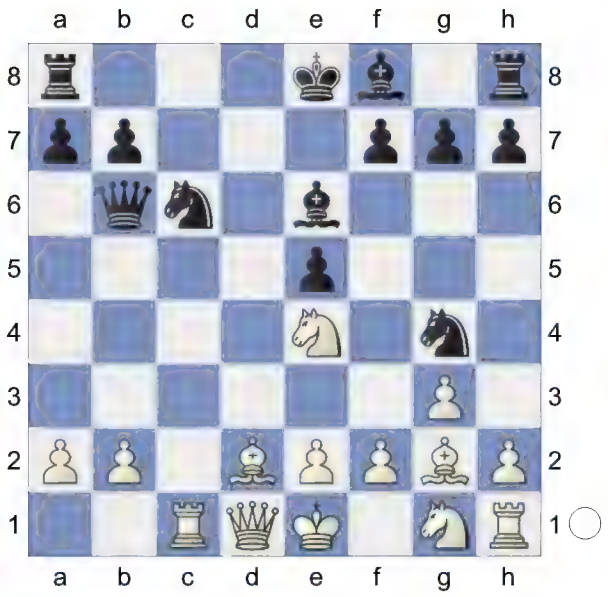
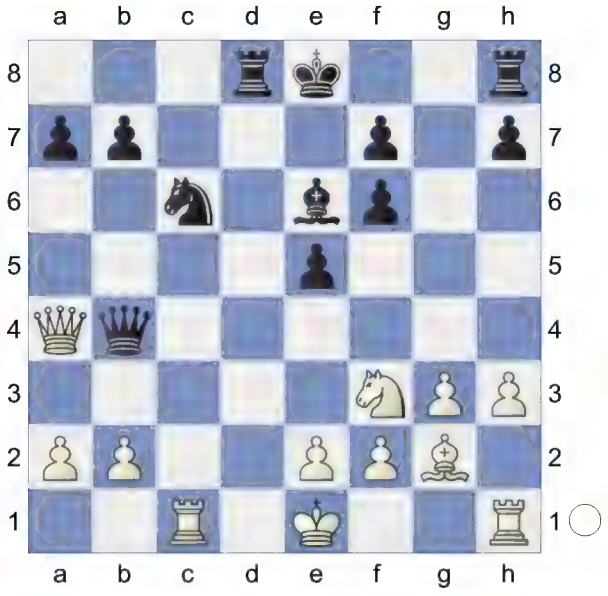


11.h3 Nf6 12.Nxf6+ gxf6 13.Nf3 -0.50/20
[13.a3= -0.07/18]
13...Rd8 14.Qa4 Bb4
[14...Qxb2!? 15.0-0 Qxa2 16.Qxa2 Bxa2∓]
15.Bxb4 Qxb4+



16.Qxb4 Nxb4 17.a3 Nc6 18.0-0 Ke7 19.e3 Rd3 20.Nh4 Rc8

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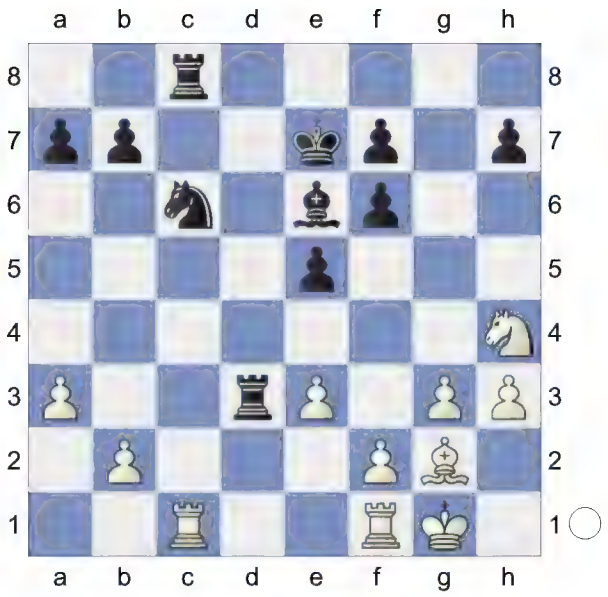
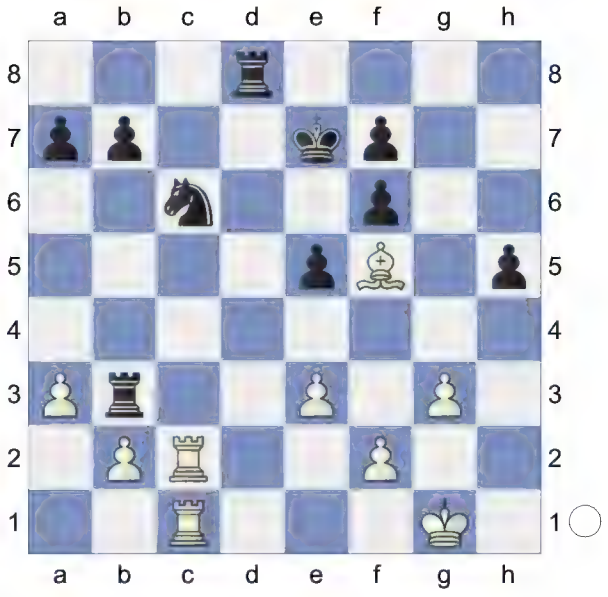


21.Be4 Rb3 22.Rc2 0.01/19
[22.Bxh7± 0.41/19 Bxh3 23.Rfd1]
22...Bxh3= 23.Rfc1 h5 24.Nf5+ Bxf5
[24...Ke6 is interesting. 25.Nh6 Ke7 26.Bf5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5+ Ke6]
25.Bxf5 Rd8



26.Be4 Na5 27.Kg2 Ke6 28.Bf3 b5 29.Bxh5 Nc4 30.Be2

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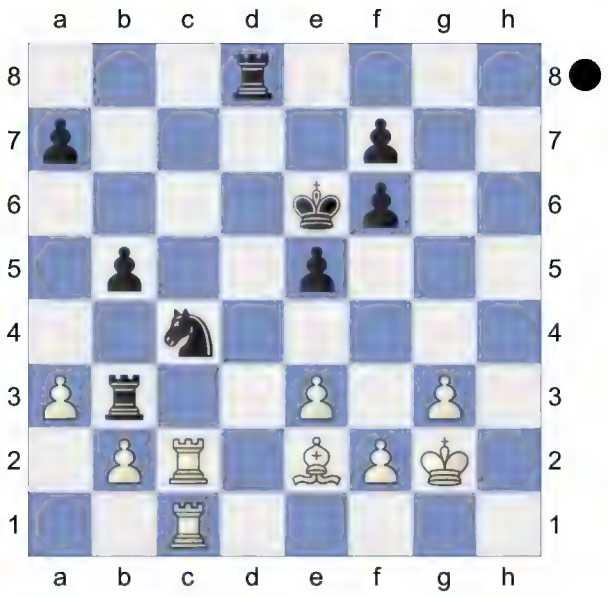
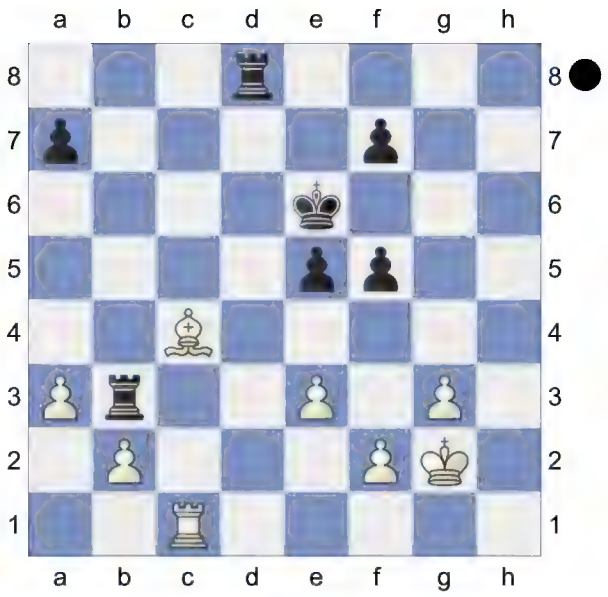


Rxc4 is the strong threat. **30...f5?** 4.87/23
[30...Kf5!= 0.24/22 and Black is okay.]

31.Rxc4+- bxc4 8.04/22
[⌓31...Rxb2 4.87/20 32.Rc6+ Ke7 33.Rc7+ Rd7]
32.Bxc4+

(Diagram)



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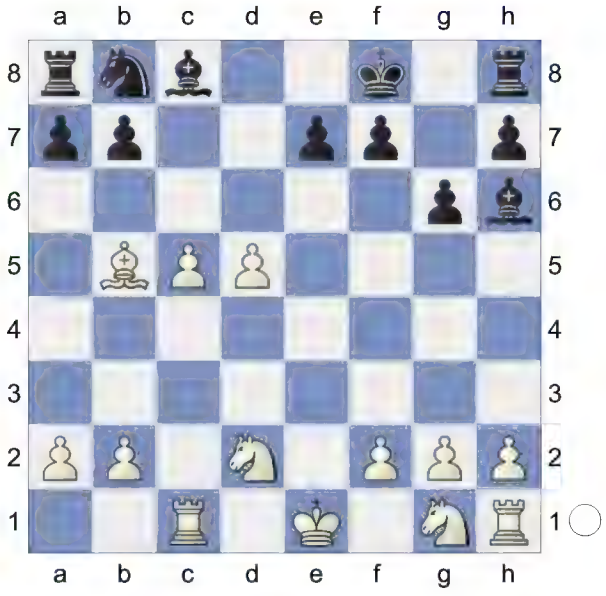
27 **D06**
□ **Kivurawnuru** **2883**
■ **Zayats71** **2694**
Blitz 01.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.e4N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+

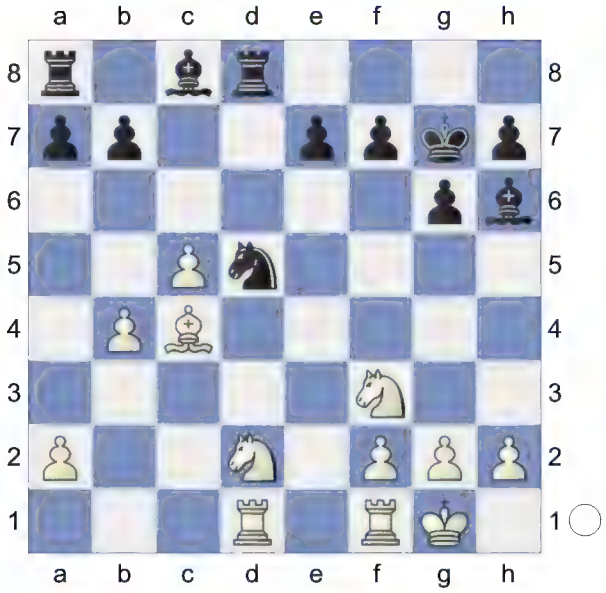
(Diagram)

6.Bd2 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 1.09/20
[7...Qxc5± 0.61/20 might be stronger. 8.Na3 Na6]
8.Nxd2± White is better. **8...g6 9.Rc1** 0.57/21
[9.Ngf3± 1.09/19]
9...Bh6 10.Bb5+ Kf8

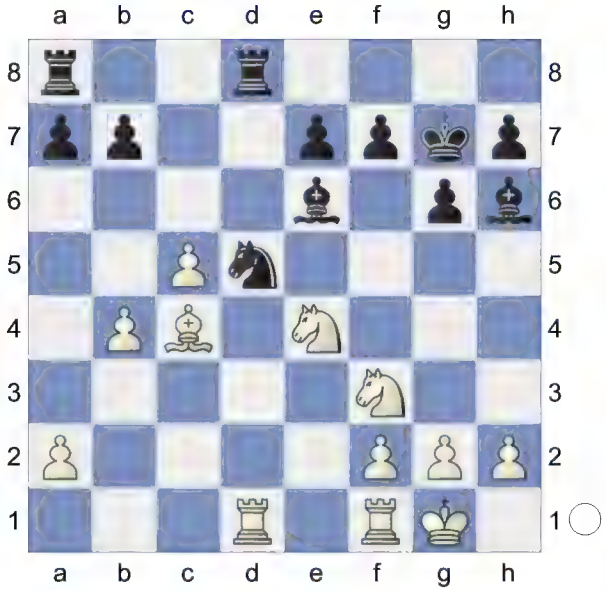


11.Ngf3 Kg7 12.0-0 0.58/21
&Bianco is more active.
[12.Rd1± 1.05/18]
12...Rd8± 13.Bc4 Nd7 14.b4 -0.21/22
[Reject 14.c6 Nf6=]
[White should try 14.Rfe1± 0.48/19]

14...Nf6 0.40/22
[Black should play 14...a5!= -0.21/22]
15.Rcd1↑ White has some pressure.
15...Nxd5

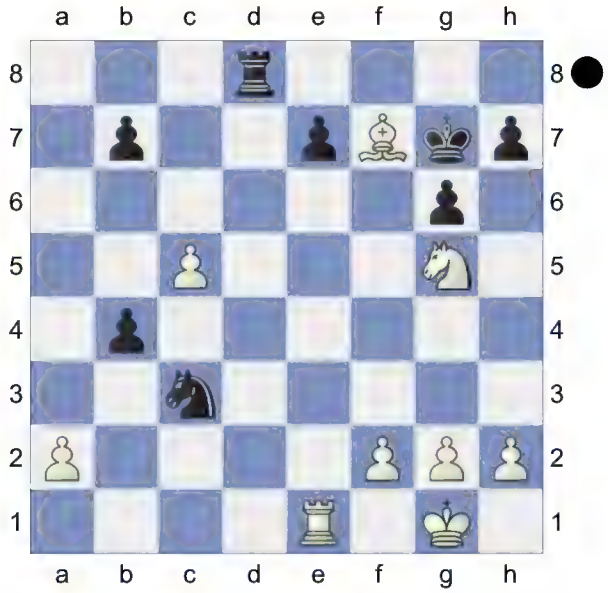


16.Ne4 Against Nc3 **16...Be6**



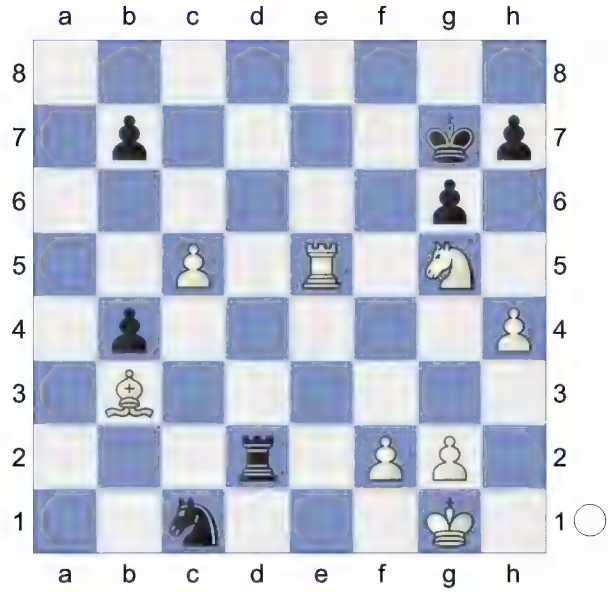
Strongly threatening ...Ne3! **17.Neg5 Bxg5 18.Nxg5 a5** 0.86/22
[18...Nc7± 0.44/21 19.Nxe6+ Nxe6]
19.Rfe1±
[Don't play 19.Nxe6+ fxe6 20.Rde1 Nxb4±]
19...Nc3? 3.95/23 A mistake that costs the game.
[19...Nf4± 0.96/21 might work better. 20.Nxe6+ Nxe6]
20.Rxd8+-
[20.Nxe6+ fxe6 21.Rxd8 Rxd8±]
20...Rxd8

21.Bxe6
[21.Nxe6+ fxe6 22.bxa5 Rc8±]
21...axb4 6.39/22
[⌓21...f6 4.20/22 22.Nf7 *(22.bxa5 fxg5 23.Bc4 g4+-)* 22...Rd4 23.bxa5 Ne4]
22.Bxf7

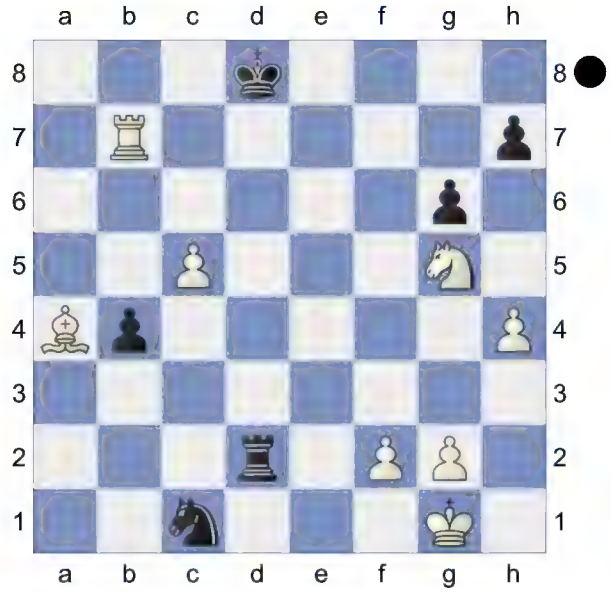


Threatens to win with Ne6+. **22...Rd2**

23.Bb3 Nxa2 24.h4 e5 25.Rxe5
Hoping for Re7+. **25...Nc1**



26.Re7+ Kf8 27.Rf7+ Ke8 28.Ba4+ Kd8 29.Rxb7 9.36/21
[⌓29.Ne6+ #3/8 Kc8 30.Rf8+ Rd8 31.Rxd8#]



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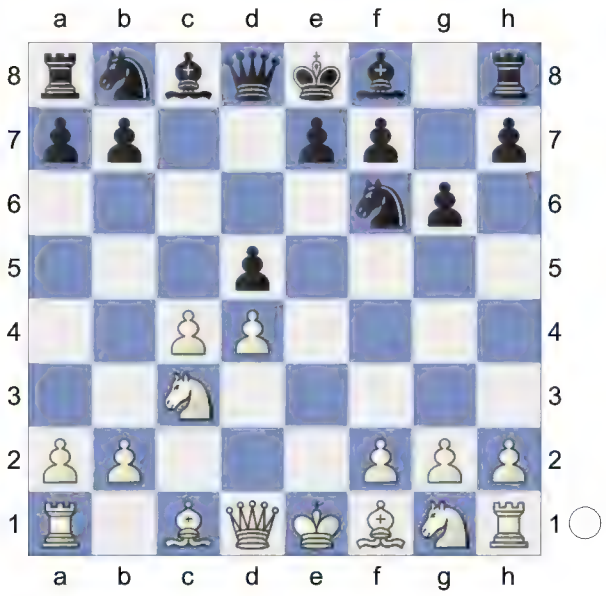
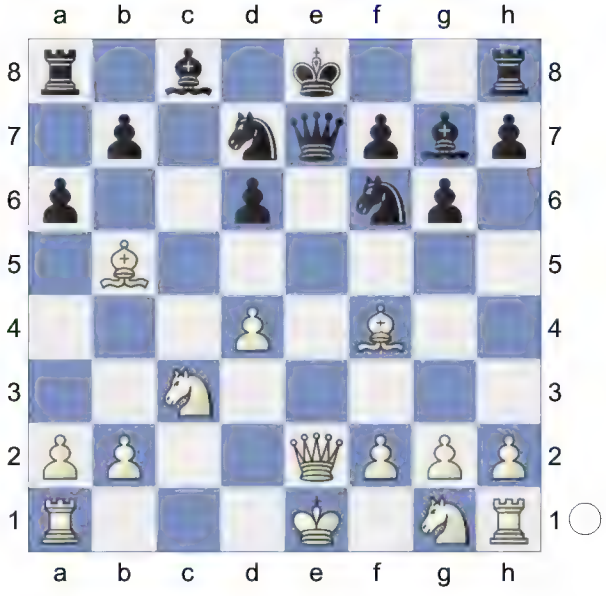
28 **B14**
□ **Herushkanamura** **2874**
■ **Zayats71** **2698**
Blitz 19.12.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B14: Caro-Kann: Panov-Botvinnik Attack with 5...e6 and 5...g6 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3N**
[3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
[3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 *(5.Nxd5 Nxd5 6.cxd5 Qxd5 7.Qxd4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 a6 9.g3 e5 10.Nb3 Bd7 11.Bg2 Bb4+ 12.Kf1 Bc6 13.Be3 a5 14.Rd1 Nd7 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Kg2 a4 17.Nd2 0-0-0 18.Nc4 f6 19.Rd3 Nb8* Classical Ne4 (2465)-Lin,Z (2492) Rio de Janeiro 2005 CBM 003 [Gomez Fontal, F] 1-0 (55)*)* 5...e5 6.Nf3 d4 7.Nxe5 dxc3 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 9.Nxf7+ Ke8 10.Nxh8 Bb4 11.b3 Bf5 12.f3 Nc6 13.e4 Be6 14.Be3 Ke7 15.a3 Bd6 16.Bd3 Rxh8 17.Ke2 Rd8 Chaury,F (2183)-Konson,K (2251) Baden 2003 0-1 (46)]
3...cxd4 4.exd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6

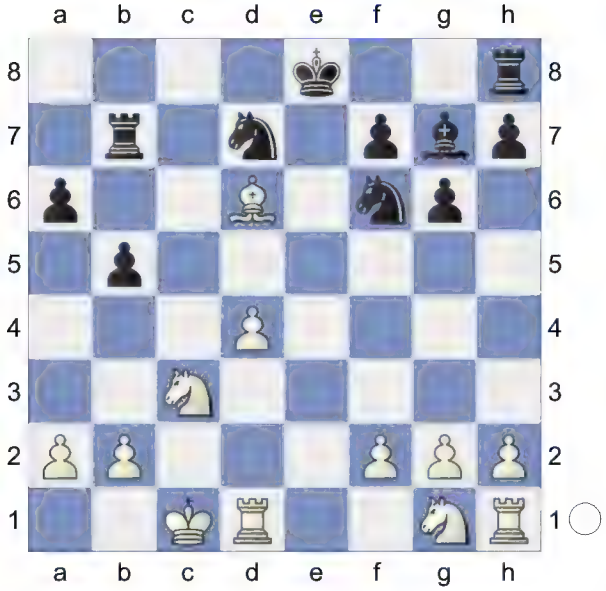


6.cxd5 Bg7 7.Bb5+ Nbd7 8.d6 exd6 9.Qe2+ Qe7 10.Bf4 a6 0.92/20
[10...Qxe2+± 0.40/19 11.Ngxe2 Ke7]



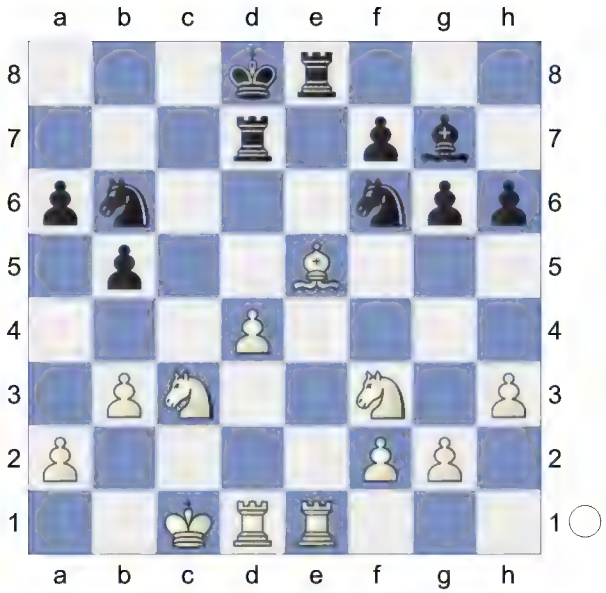
11.Bxd6!± 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. **11...Qxe2+ 12.Bxe2**

White is better. **12...b5** 1.72/22
[12...Bf8± 0.99/19 13.Bf4 Nb6]
13.Bf3+- Ra7 14.0-0-0 1.07/19
[Better is 14.a4+- 1.62/20]
14...Bb7 1.74/22
[14...Bf8± 1.07/19 15.Re1+ Kd8]
15.Bxb7 Rxb7

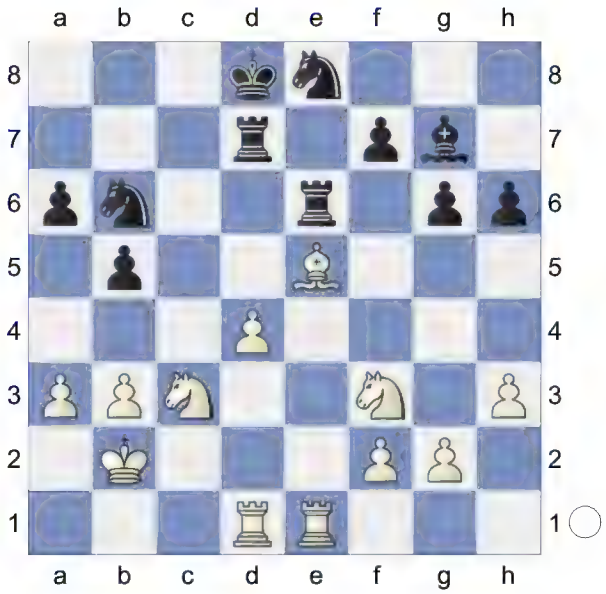


16.Nf3↑ Black is under strong pressure.
16...Kd8 17.Rhe1 Re8 18.Be5 1.38/20
[18.Ne5+- 1.78/19]
18...Nb6 19.b3 Rd7 20.h3 1.06/21
[20.Kc2+- 1.61/18]
20...h6 1.91/22
[20...b4± 1.06/21 was called for.]

(Diagram)

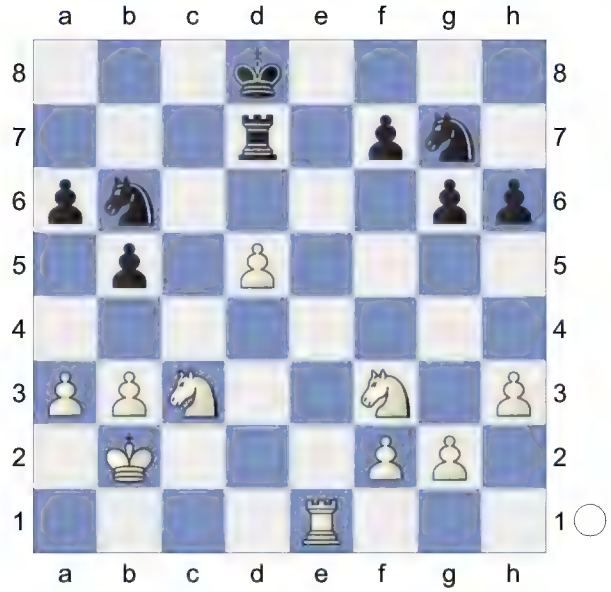


21.a3 Re6 2.54/22
[21...Rde7 1.66/18 was necessary.
22.Kb2 Kc8]
22.Kb2 1.49/21
[22.d5!+- 2.54/22 Re8 23.d6]
22...Ne8? 3.14/22
[22...Bf8± 1.49/21 23.Bxf6+ Rxf6]

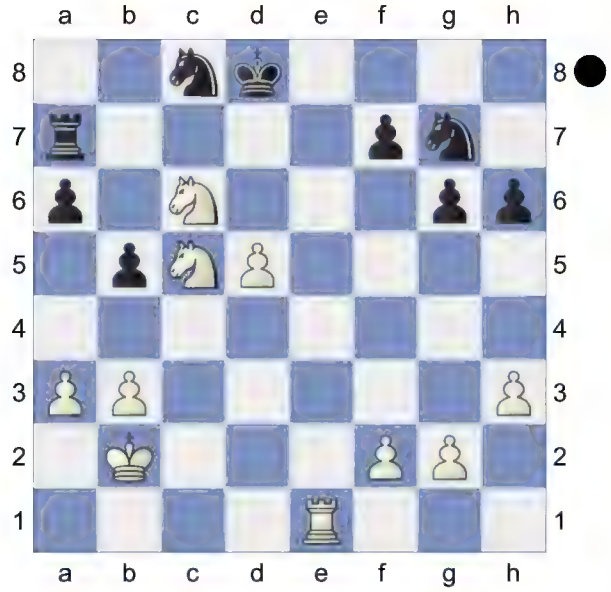


A mistake that costs the game. **23.d5 Ree7 24.Bxg7**
[Much less strong is 24.d6 Rxe5
25.Nxe5 Bxe5+-]
24...Rxe1 25.Rxe1 White is clearly

winning. **25...Nxg7**



26.Ne5 Rb7 27.Ne4 Nc8 28.Nc5 Ra7 29.Nc6+



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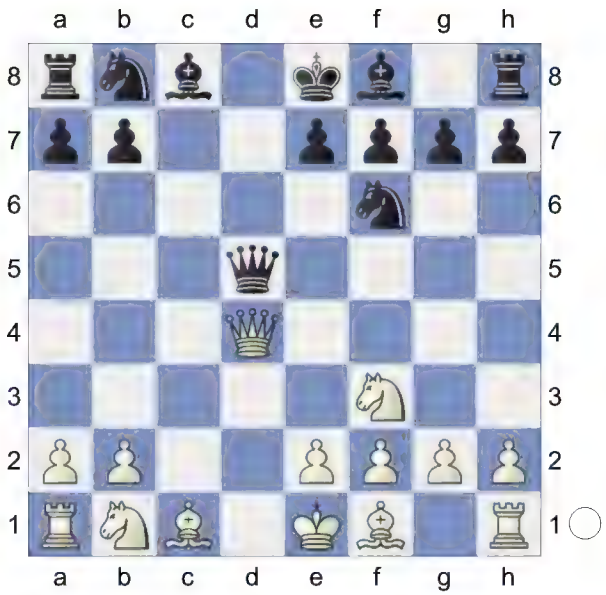
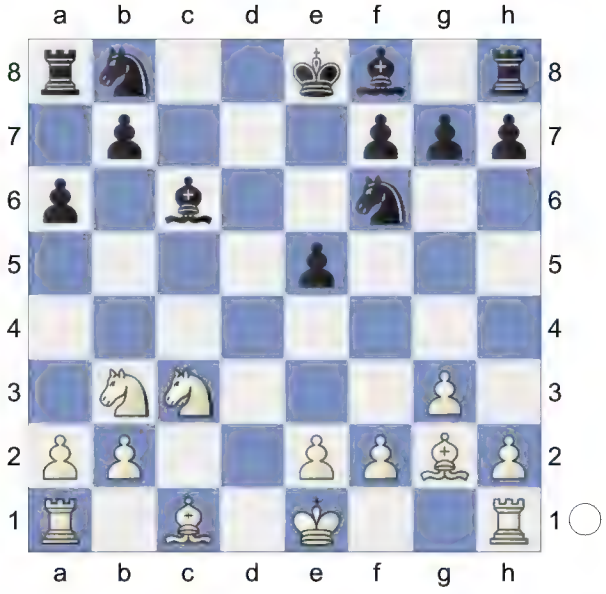
29 **D06**
□ **Miquella** **2869**
■ **Zayats71** **2705**
Blitz 22.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Qxd4N**
[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qxd5

(Diagram)



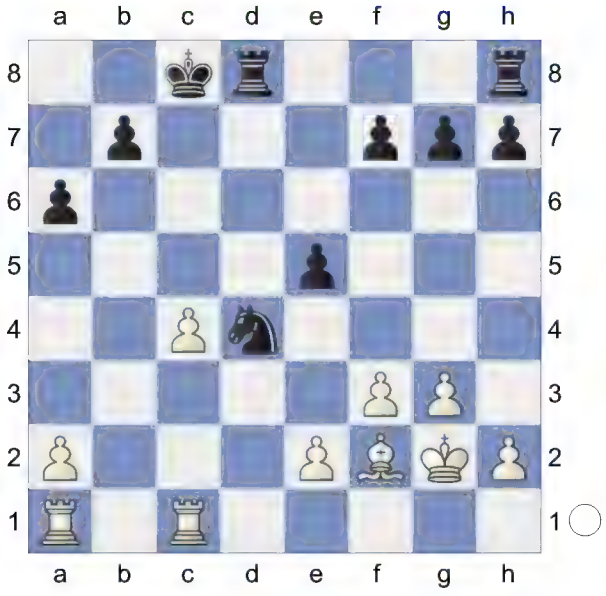
6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6



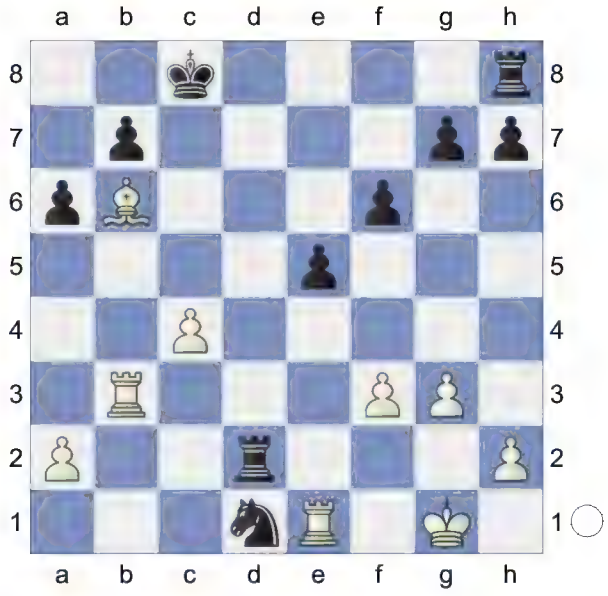
11.0-0 Bb4 White is slightly better. **12.Bg5 Bxg2 13.Kxg2** Strongly threatening Bxf6. **13...Bxc3 14.bxc3** 0.34/19
[Better is 14.Bxf6± 0.83/21 gxf6 15.Rfc1 *(15.bxc3 Ke7=)*]
14...Ne4± 15.Be3 Nc6

(Diagram)

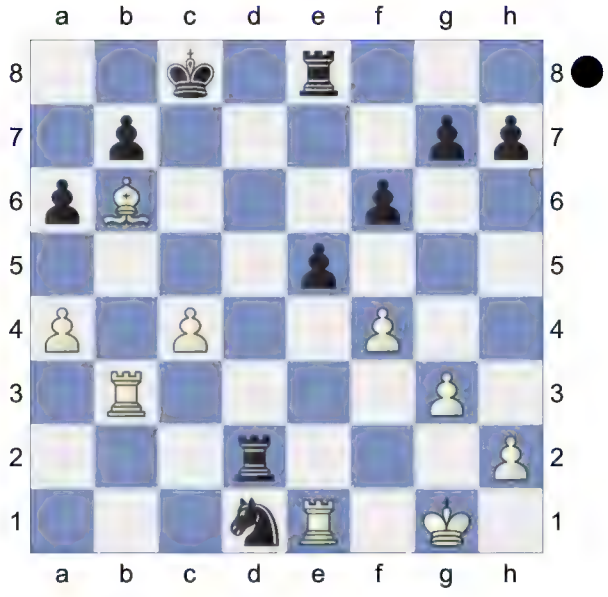
Against Na5 **16.Rfc1 0-0-0 17.f3 Nd6 18.c4 Nf5 19.Bf2** 0.01/20
[19.Bb6± 0.39/19 was preferrable.]
19...Nfd4 20.Nxd4 -0.12/20
[20.Nc5 0.26/20 deserves consideration.]
20...Nxd4



21.Rab1 -0.77/20
[21.Kf1= -0.01/19]
21...Nxe2∓ 22.Re1 Nc3 0.01/23
[22...Rd2∓ -0.85/22 Threatens to win with ...Nc3. 23.Kf1 Nc3]
23.Rb3= Nd1 24.Bb6 Rd2+ 25.Kg1 -0.47/24
[25.Kf1= 0.01/22 should be considered. Nb2 26.Ba5 *(26.Rxe5 Rc2=)* 26...Rxh2 27.Rxe5]
25...f6↑



White is under pressure. **26.f4 Re8 27.a4** -1.88/22
[27.Kf1∓ -0.85/21]

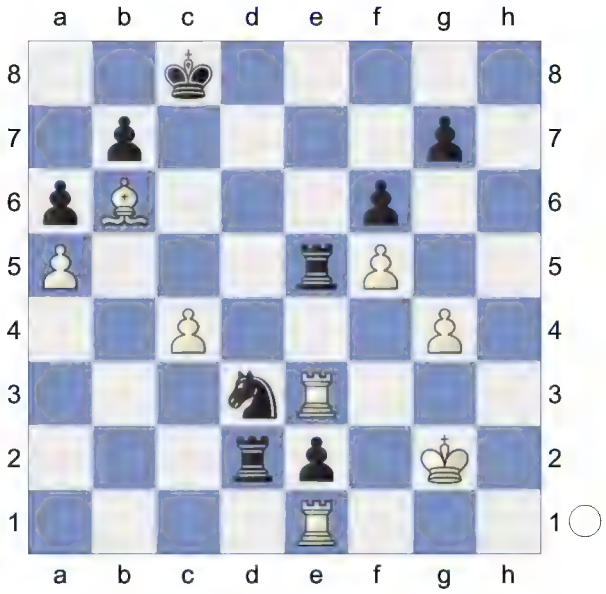


27...Re6? 0.12/23
[Black should play 27...Rb2!-+ -1.88/22 28.Rd3 *(28.Rxb2 Nxb2)* 28...Rxb6 29.Rdxd1 Rb4]

28.a5 -1.13/23
[28.Ba5= 0.12/23 Rd7 29.Bb4]
28...e4∓ 29.f5 Re5 &Nero is much more active. **30.g4 h5** -0.93/22
[⌓30...e3 -1.36/21 And now ...Re4 would win. 31.Bxe3 Nxe3 32.Rbxe3 Rxa5]

31.h3 -2.04/23
[31.gxh5∓ -0.93/22 e3 32.Bxe3 Nxe3 33.Rbxe3 Rxf5 34.Re8+ Rd8 35.R1e7]
31...hxg4-+ 32.hxg4

e3! 33.Kf1 -3.08/26
[33.Bxe3 -2.07/26 is the only way for White. Nxe3 34.Rbxe3]
33...e2+ 34.Kg2 Nb2 35.Re3 -6.93/29
[35.Be3 -1.70/27 Rd1 36.Rxe2]
35...Nd3



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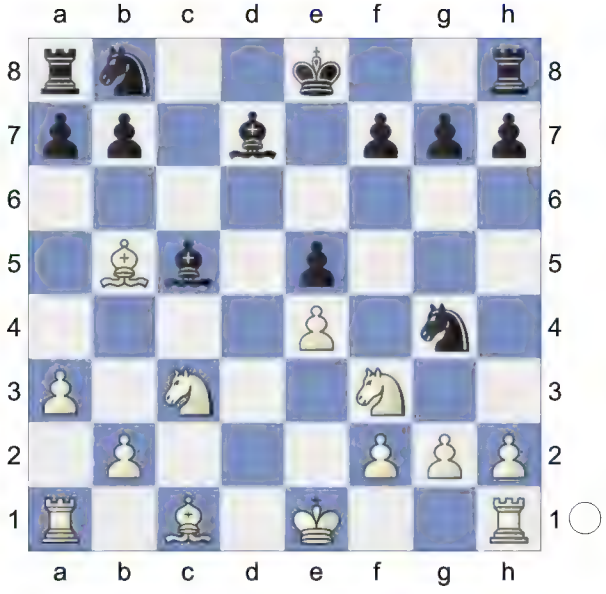
30 **D06**
□ **sapphire_phoenix** **2860**
■ **Chesssplayer21** **2849**
Blitz 26.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5

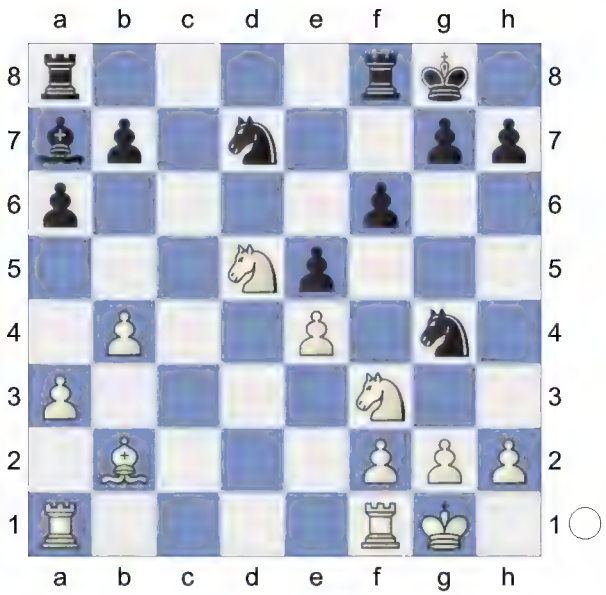
(Diagram)

6.a3 Against Nb4 **6...e5 7.e4 Nf6 8.Nc3** 0.07/20
[8.b4!± 0.56/19 deserves consideration.]
8...Bxc5= 9.Nf3 Ng4 0.63/21
[9...0-0= 0.01/18]
10.Bb5+± Bd7

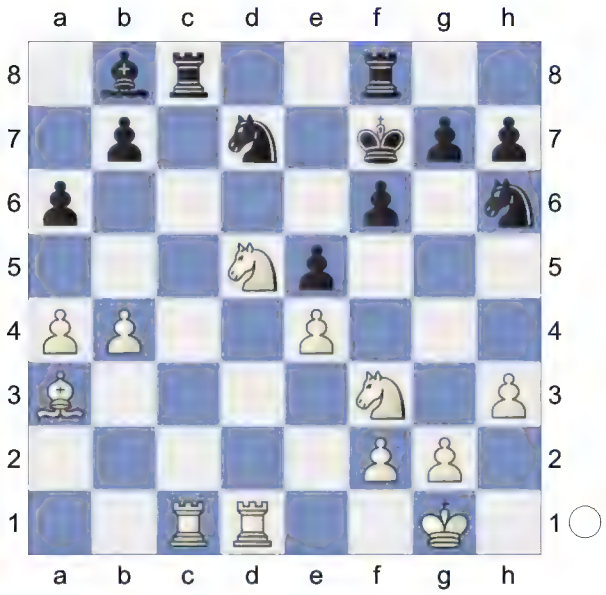


11.0-0 a6 12.Bxd7+ Nxd7 13.Nd5 aiming for Nc7+. **13...0-0 14.b4 Ba7**
[14...Bd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Rd1±]
15.Bb2 f6

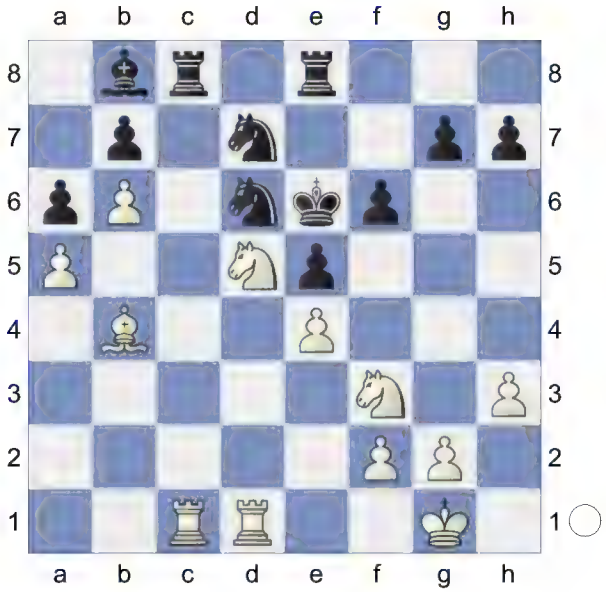
(Diagram)



16.h3 Nh6 17.Rfd1 Rad8 0.41/20
[17...Nb6= 0.09/22]
18.Rac1 0.01/22
[18.Bc1± 0.41/20]
18...Bb8 0.79/22
[18...Nb6= 0.01/22]
19.a4↑ White is really pushing. **19...Kf7** 2.29/22
[19...Nf7± 0.79/20]
20.Ba3+- Rc8

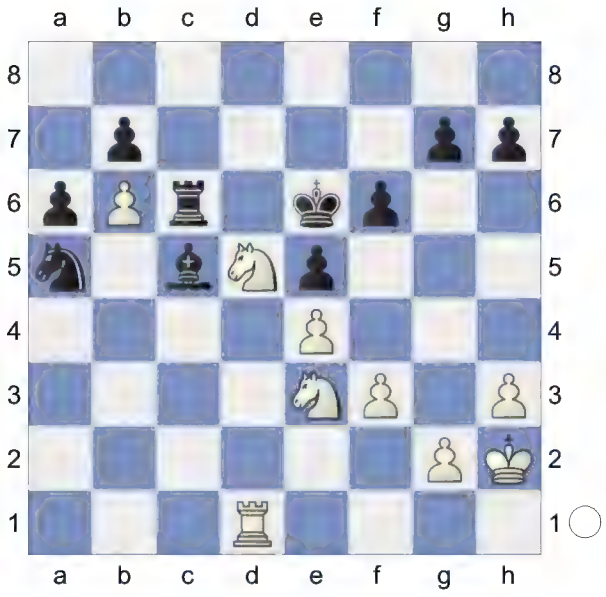


21.b5 Rfd8 22.Be7 Re8 23.Bb4 0.97/21
[23.bxa6+- 1.90/23 bxa6 24.Bb4]
23...Ke6 1.83/22
[23...axb5± 0.97/21 24.axb5 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Nf8]
24.b6 1.26/22
[24.Nd2+- 1.83/22]
24...Nf7? 3.26/21
[24...Rxc1± 1.26/22 25.Rxc1 Nf7]
25.a5? 0.71/20
[25.Nc7++- 3.26/21 is more deadly. Bxc7 26.bxc7]
25...Nd6? 4.60/21
[25...Rxc1± 0.71/20 26.Rxc1 Nd8]

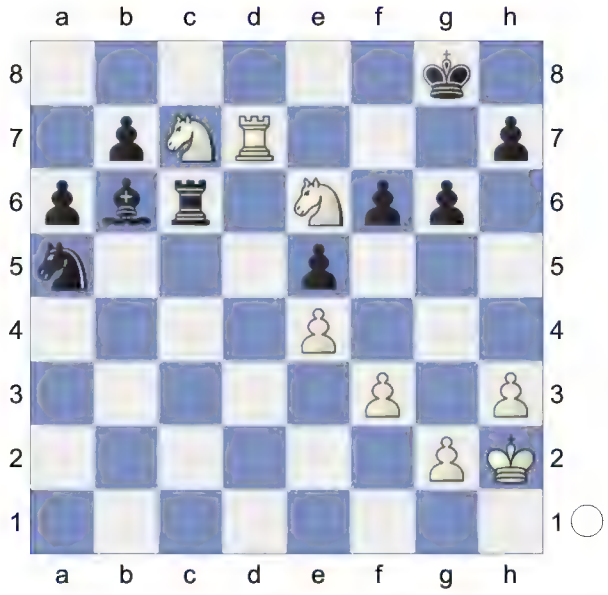


26.Bxd6? 0.50/21
[26.Nc7++- 4.60/21 Bxc7 27.Rxc7]
26...Bxd6± 27.Nd2! Pair of Knights!
[27.Nc7+ Bxc7 28.bxc7 Re7=]
27...Nc5 28.f3 Nd3 29.Rc4 -0.84/23
[29.Nc7+!± 0.53/19 stays ahead. Ke7 30.Nd5+ *(30.Nxe8 Rxc1 31.Rxc1 Nxc1∓)* 30...Ke6 31.Nc7+ Ke7 32.Nd5+ *(32.Nxe8 Rxc1 33.Rxc1 Nxc1∓)* 32...Ke6]
29...Nb2∓
[29...Bc5+ is interesting. 30.Kf1 Nb2 31.Rcc1 Nxd1 32.Nc7+ Rxc7 33.bxc7 Ne3+]
30.Rxc8 Rxc8

31.Rb1 Rc2 32.Nf1 -1.15/23
[White should play 32.Nb3 -0.74/22]
32...Nc4
[32...Bc5+ 33.Kh2∓]
33.Kh2 Nxa5 Threatens to win with ... Nc4. **34.Nfe3 Rc6 35.Rd1 Bc5** 0.01/23
[35...Nc4∓ -1.31/20 ...Nxe3 is the strong threat. 36.Nf5 g6 37.Nxd6 Nxd6 38.Nc7+ Kd7]

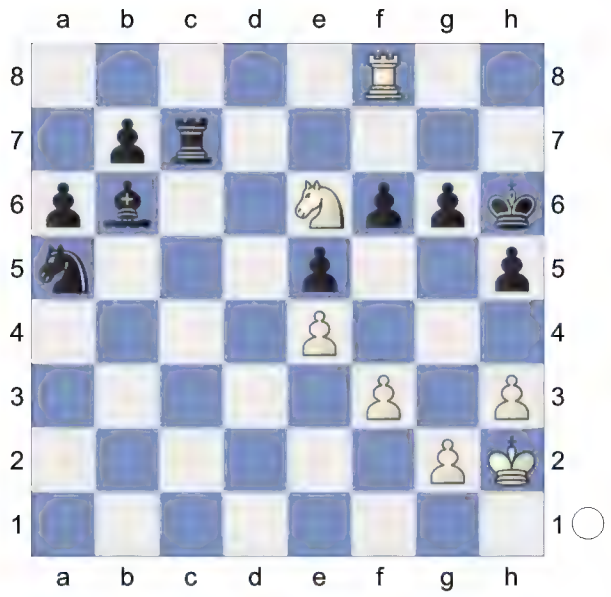


36.Nf5 g6 0.90/22
[36...Bd4= -0.01/20 remains equal.]
37.Nc7+± Kf7 38.Rd7+ Kf8 2.29/23
[38...Kg8± 0.91/23 is a better defense. 39.Nh6+ *(39.Rd8+ Kf7=)* 39...Kh8]
39.Ng7? 0.01/20
[39.Nh6+- 2.29/23 Be7 40.Nd5]
39...Bxb6? 1.62/25
[39...Nb3= 0.01/20]
40.Nge6++- Discovered Attack **40...Kg8**

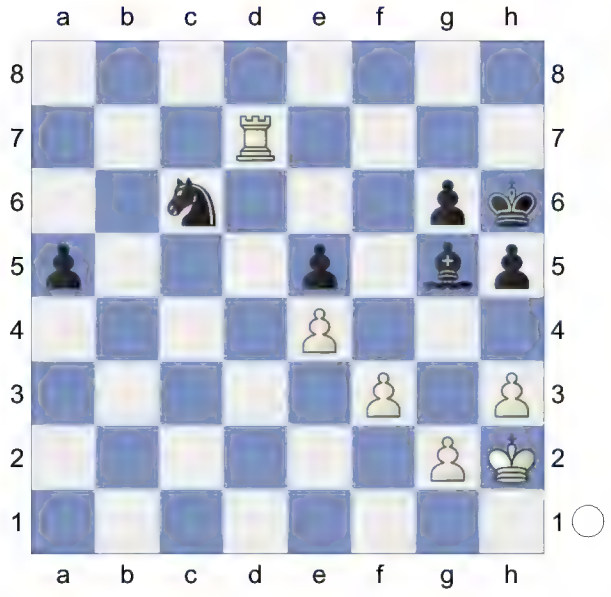


41.Rg7+ White has strong compensation.
[41.Rd8+?! Kf7 42.Rd7+ Kg8±]
41...Kh8 42.Rf7 -0.01/25
[42.Re7+- 2.70/24 Kg8 43.Re8+ *(43.Nd5 Rxe6 44.Rxe6 Bc5±)* 43...Kf7 44.Nd8+ Kg7 45.Re7+ Kg8 46.Nxc6 *(46.Re8+ Kg7±)* 46...Nxc6 47.Rd7]
42...h5= 43.Rf8+ Kh7 44.Rf7+? -2.05/28
[44.Rxf6= 0.00/23 and White stays safe. Bxc7 45.Rf7+ Kh6 46.Nxc7]
44...Kh6-+ 45.Rf8? -5.27/25
[45.h4 -2.13/23 Nb3 46.Nd5 Rxe6 47.Rxb7]
45...Rxc7

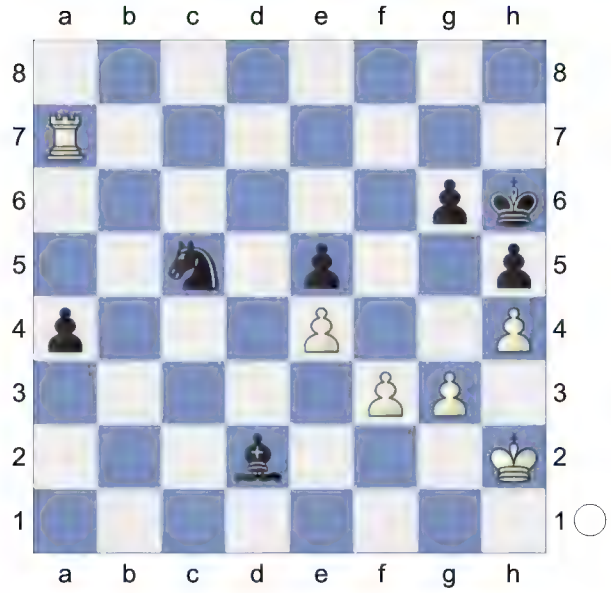
(Diagram)



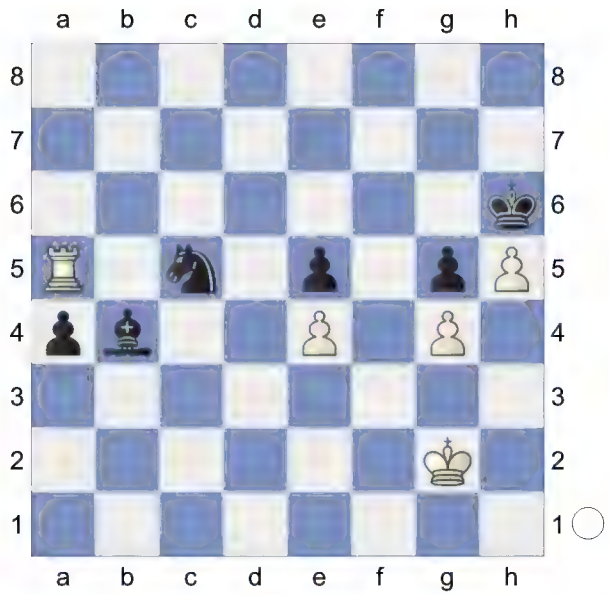
46.Nxc7 Bxc7 47.Rxf6 -14.54/22
[⌓47.h4 -4.35/21]
47...Nc6? -2.35/24
[47...Kg7 -14.54/22 48.Re6 Kf7]
48.Rf7 Bd8 49.Rxb7 a5 50.Rd7 Strongly threatening Rd6. **50...Bg5**



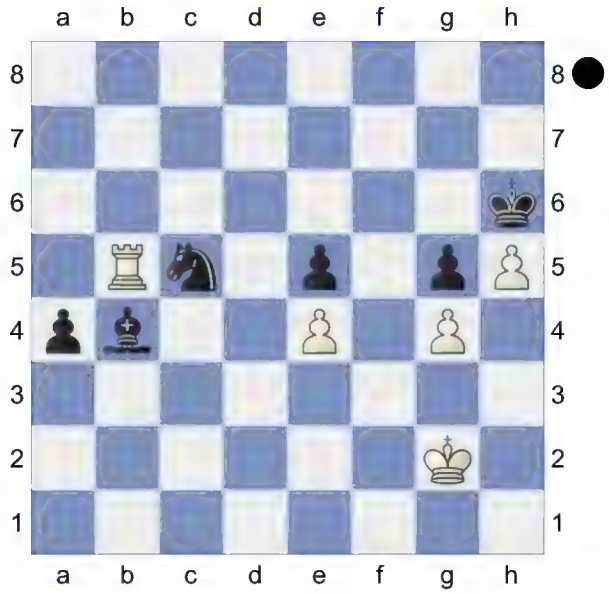
White must now prevent ...a4. **51.Rd6 Nd4 52.Ra6 Bd2 53.h4 Nb3 54.g3** -2.13/24
[54.Ra7∓ -1.45/25]
54...Nc5 55.Ra7 -2.48/23
[55.Rd6 -1.86/23 was worth a try. Bc3 56.Rd5]
55...a4 -1.48/24
[55...Bb4!-+ -2.48/23 And now ...a4 would win. 56.Kg2 a4]



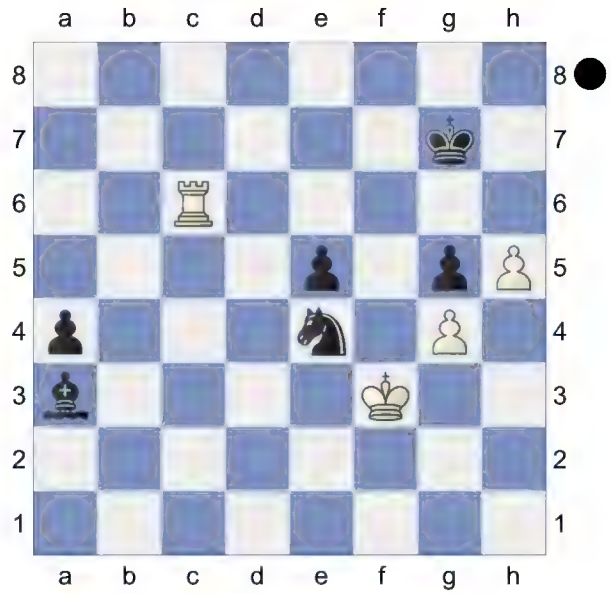
56.Kg2 -2.51/22
[56.g4∓ -1.48/24 only move.]
56...Bc1 57.g4 hxg4 -1.14/25
[Black should try 57...g5-+ -1.79/23 58.Rc7 Nd3 59.Rc6+ Kh7 60.Rc7+ Kg6 61.Rc6+ Kf7 62.Rc7+ Kf6 63.Rc6+ Kf7 64.Rc7+ Kf6 65.Rc6+ Ke7 66.Rc7+ Kf8 67.Rc8+ Kg7 68.Rc7+ Kf6]
58.fxg4∓ g5!
[But not 58...Nxe4?! 59.Rxa4 Nd2 60.Ra7=]
59.Ra5 -1.39/24
[⌓59.Rc7 -1.02/26 Ba3 60.Rc6+ Kh7 61.Rc7+ Kh8 62.Rc8+ Kh7 63.Rc7+ Kh8 64.Ra7]
59...Ba3
[Reject 59...Nxe4?! 60.Ra6+ Kh7 61.Ra7+ Kg8 62.Rxa4=]
60.h5 Bb4
[Of course not 60...Nxe4?! 61.Rxa4 Nf6 62.Rxa3 Nxg4 63.Kf3 Kxh5 64.Ra6=]



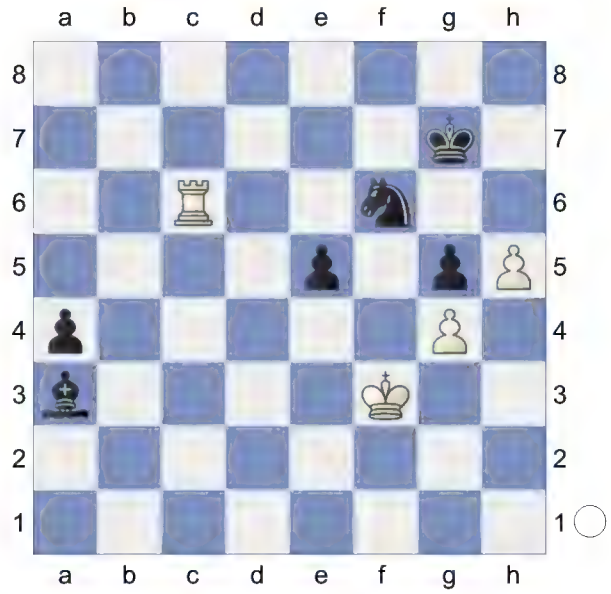
61.Rb5 -1.61/24
[61.Ra7∓ -1.07/29]



61...Ba3? -0.01/26
[61...a3!-+ -1.61/24 62.Rb8 Nd3 63.Rb6+ Kg7 64.Rb7+ Kg8 65.Rb8+ Kg7]
62.Rb6+ Kg7 63.Rc6 -1.11/24
[63.Kf3= -0.01/25 keeps the balance.]
63...Nxe4 Hoping for ...Bf8. **64.Kf3?** -2.46/24
[64.Ra6∓ -0.94/23 Nc5 65.Rg6+ Kh7 66.Rc6]



64...Nf6!



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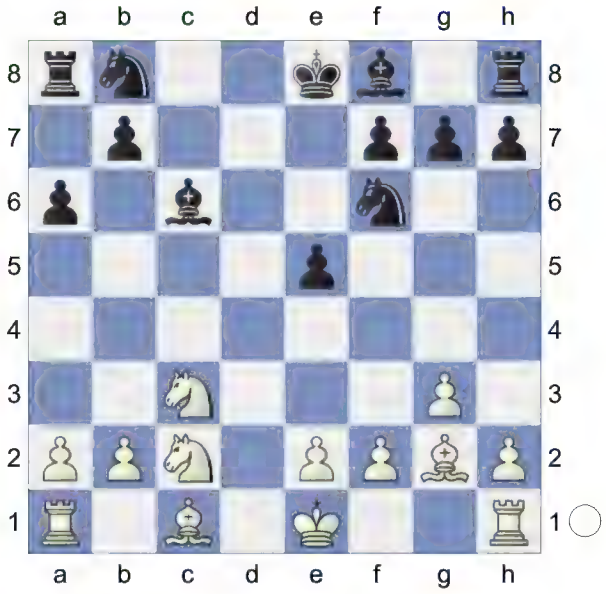
31 **D06**
□ **chessed70** **2854**
■ **Zayats71** **2737**
Blitz 21.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

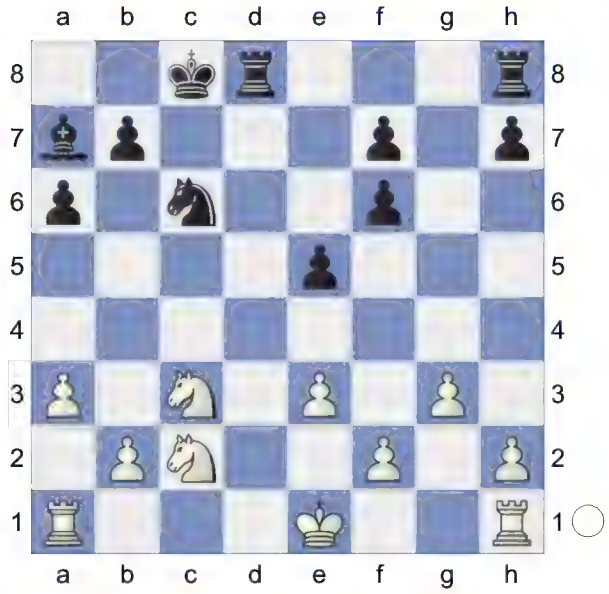
Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4N
[5.Nxd4 a6 *(5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3* Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) *Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5* Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68)) 6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 Alekhine-4. ♘f3 de5 5. ♘e5 g6 Survey 1997 LEX-CD [ChessBase] (40) 20.Rfe1 Kf8 21.d6 Ne6 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.Ng5 Qb8 24.Nxe6+ Kf7 25.Ng5+ Kf8 26.Qd5 Rg7 27.Ne6+ Kg8 28.Nxg7+ Kxg7 29.dxe7 Nf6 30.Qxb5 Ra7 31.Re1 Qd6 32.e8Q Nxe8 33.Qxe8 Qxd2 34.Qe5+ Kf7 Chapter Part-Games Game 11 (40)]
5...Qxd5

6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nc2 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6 0.60/20
[10...Nc6= 0.26/19 might be stronger.]

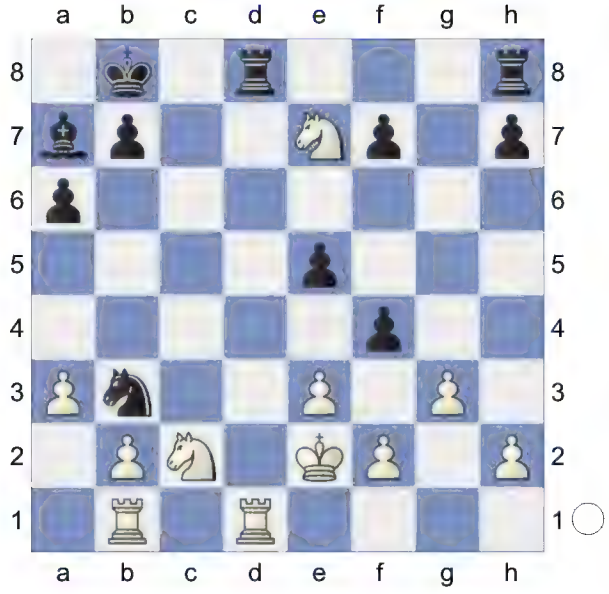


11.Bxc6+ 0.23/22

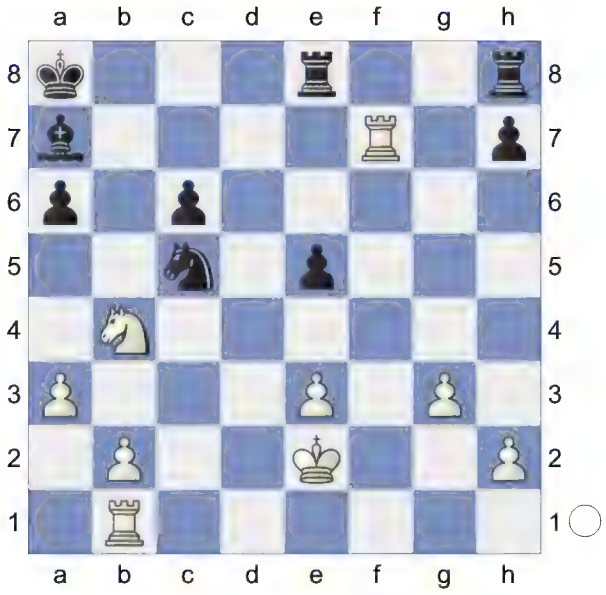
[11.0-0± 0.60/20]
11...Nxc6= 12.Bg5 0-0-0 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.a3 Bc5 15.e3 Ba7 0.48/21
[15...Kb8= 0.16/18]



16.Ke2 Na5 0.59/20
[16...Rhe8= 0.25/22]
17.Rhd1± Nb3 18.Rab1 f5 Inhibits Ne4. **19.Nd5 Kb8 20.Ne7** 0.01/22
[20.Nf6± 0.56/20]
20...f4!=



21.Nb4
[21.exf4 exf4 22.Nd5 Rhe8+ 23.Kf3 Rd6 24.Nxf4 Rd2∓]
21...fxe3 22.fxe3 Rde8 0.41/21
[22...h5= 0.10/23]
23.Rd7 -0.86/23
[23.Nbd5± 0.41/21 keeps the upper hand.]
23...Nc5∓ 24.Nec6+ Ka8 25.Rxf7 bxc6



26.Nxc6 Bb6 27.Rbf1 -1.30/21
[⌓27.Rd1 -0.95/21]
27...Re6 -0.61/23
[27...Ne4∓ -1.30/21 28.R7f5 Re6 29.Nxe5 Rd8]
28.Nb4 -1.51/22
[28.R1f6∓ -0.61/23]
28...h5 -0.68/21
[28...Rd8∓ -1.51/22 White must now prevent ...a5. 29.Rf8 a5]
29.Nd5 Bd8? 1.06/24
[29...Rd8∓ -0.80/21 stays on course. 30.Rf8 Kb7 31.R1f7+ Kc6 32.Nxb6 Rxf8 33.Rxf8 Kxb6]
30.b4? -1.01/22
[30.Rc1!± 1.06/24 is necessary to keep the advantage. Nb7 31.Rc8+ Ka7 32.Nc7]

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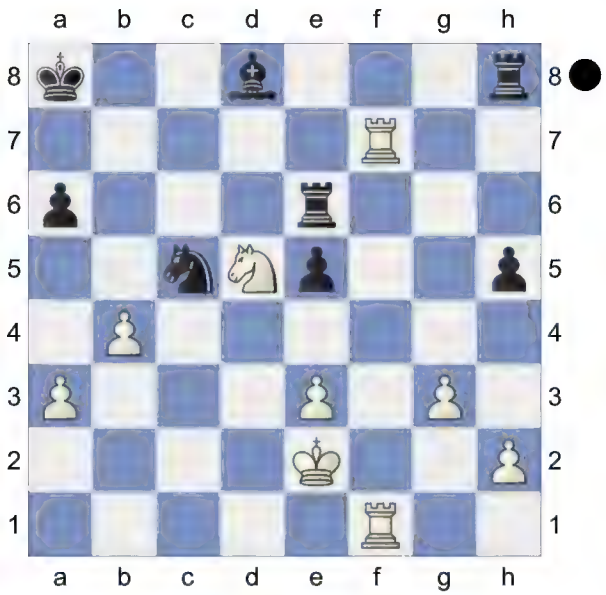
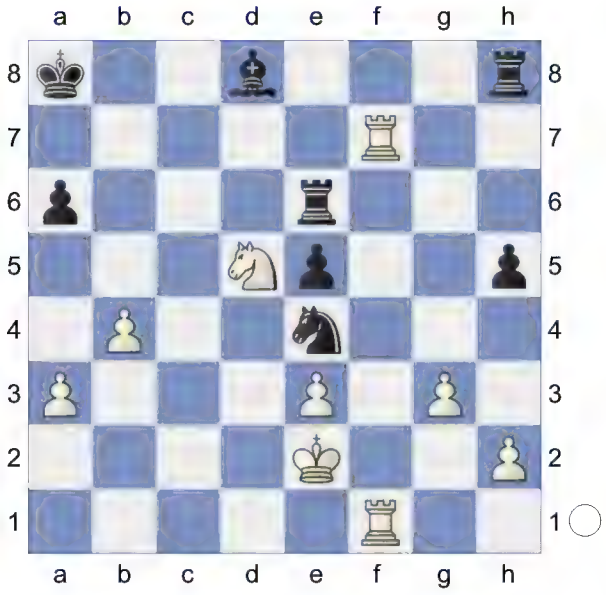


&Bianco is more active. **30...Ne4**



31.Rc1

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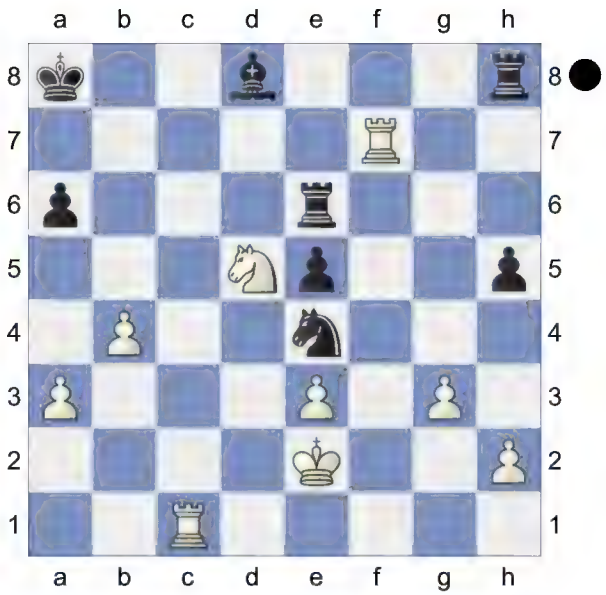
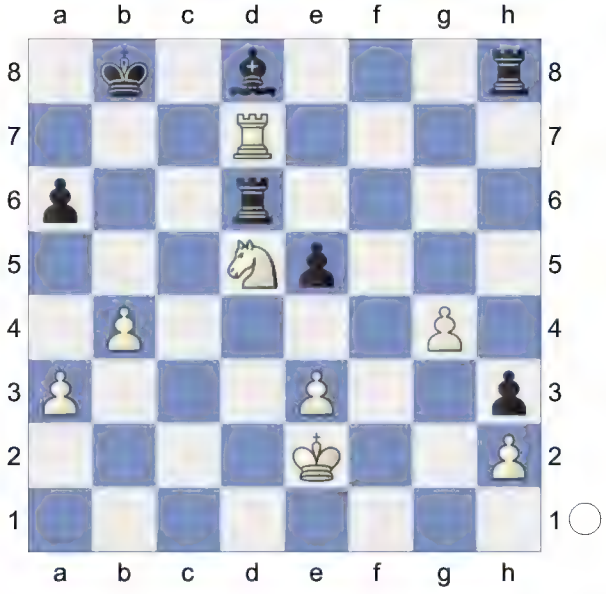


Nd6 -0.01/24 Inhibits Rc8+.
[Better is 31...Kb8!∓ -1.09/22
Hoping for ...h4. 32.Rc4 Ng5]
32.Rd7 Strongly threatening Rc6.
32...Kb8? 3.95/21 This costs Black the game.
[32...Reh6= -0.01/23]
33.Rc6!+- h4 34.g4
[34.Rdxd6 Rxd6 35.Rxd6 hxg3 36.hxg3 a5+-]
34...h3 35.Rcxd6 Rxd6



36.Rxd6 Endgame KRB-KRN **36...Bh4**
37.Rxa6 Bg3 7.93/25

[⌓37...e4 4.85/24 38.Nc3 Bg3]

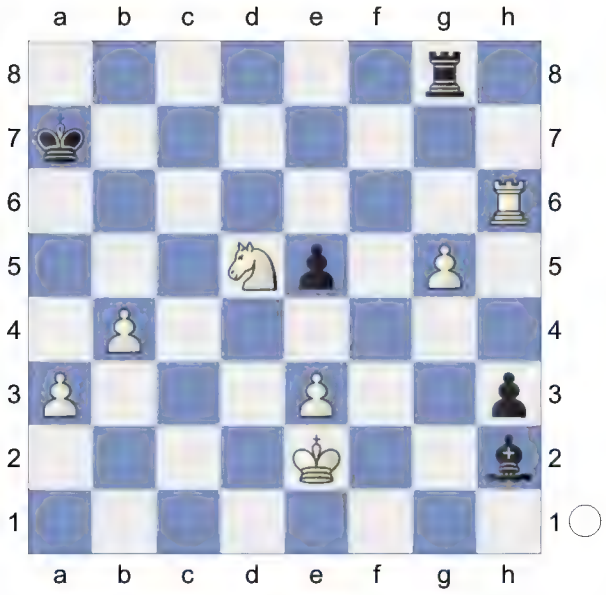
38.Rb6+

[Don't go for 38.hxg3? h2 39.Rb6+ Ka7-+]

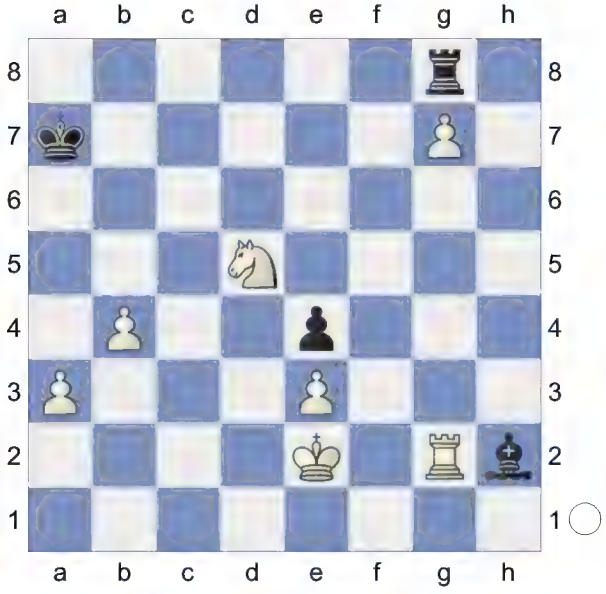
38...Ka7 39.g5

[Avoid the trap 39.hxg3? h2 40.Re6 h1Q 41.Rxe5 Rd8-+]

39...Bxh2 40.Rh6 Rg8



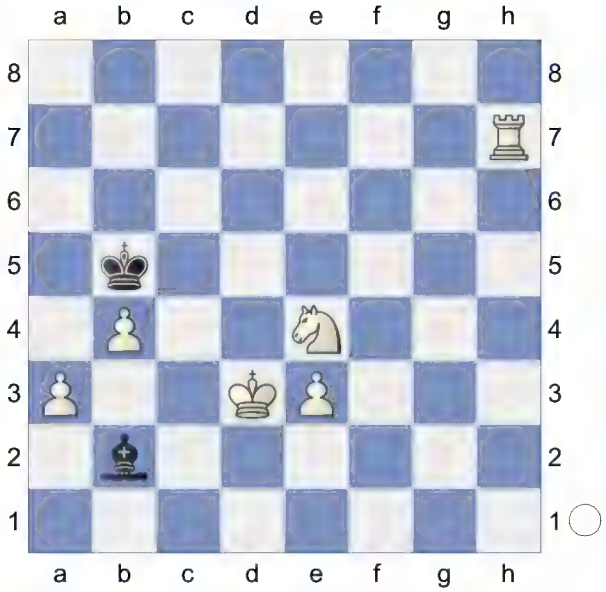
41.Rxh3 Bg1 42.Rg3 Bh2 43.Rg2 Rh8 44.g6 e4 45.g7 Rg8



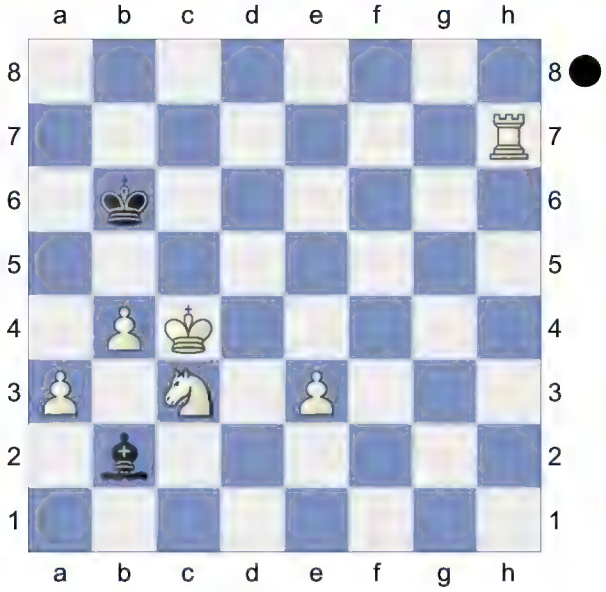
46.Nf6 Rxg7 47.Rxg7+ Kb6 48.Nxe4

White threatens a4 and mate. **48...Kb5**

49.Rh7 White mates. **49...Be5 50.Kd3 Bb2**



51.Nc3+ Kb6 52.Kc4



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32 **D06**
□ **MothAndTheFlame** **2854**
■ **MrSOK** **2705**
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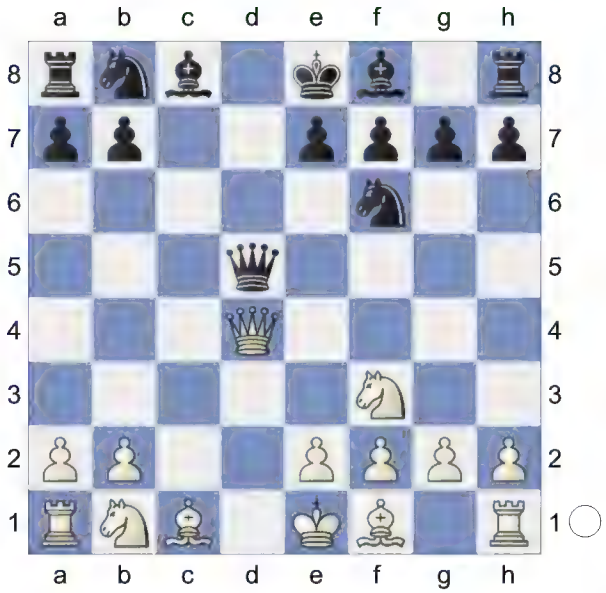
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Myers Alekhine Suetin: 'Für diese Partie erhielt Aljechin den vom Präsidenten Masaryk gestifteten Schönheitspreis von 500 Kronen. /// Suetin: Roundly condemning any senseless loss of tempo in the opening, Alekhine wrote: "Loss of time is only permissible in cases where it leads to secure control of vital points on the board." This game is a model of that principle. We'll examine a convincing victory by Alekhine. Für diese Partie erhielt Aljechin den vom Präsidenten Masaryk gestifteten Schönheitspreis von 500 Kronen. /// Suetin: Roundly condemning any senseless loss of tempo in the opening, Alekhine wrote: "Loss of time is only permissible in cases where it leads to secure control of vital points on the board." This game is a model of that principle.' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.cxd5 cxd4 5.Qxd4N**

[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 20.Rfe1* Alekhine,A-Wolf,H Piestany 1922 HCL [Myers Alekhine Suetin] 1-0 (41)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7* Brandics,J (2550)-N,N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/ année] 1-0 (68) *)* 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

5...Qxd5



6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.e4 e5 9.Nb3 Bb4 10.f3 The position is equal.
10...Be6

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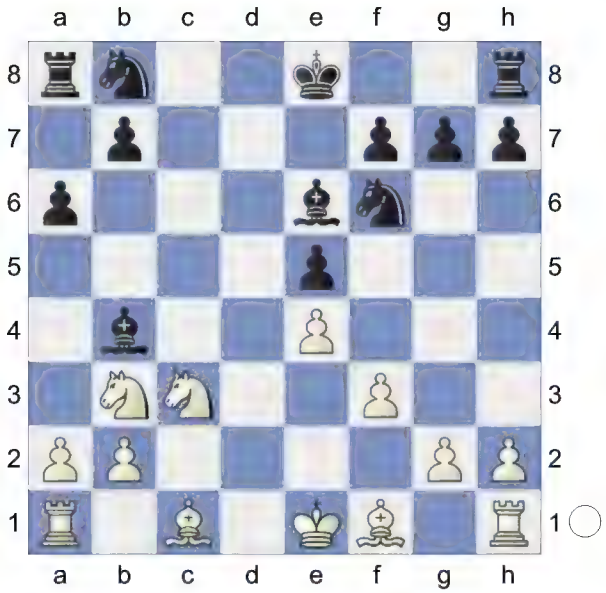
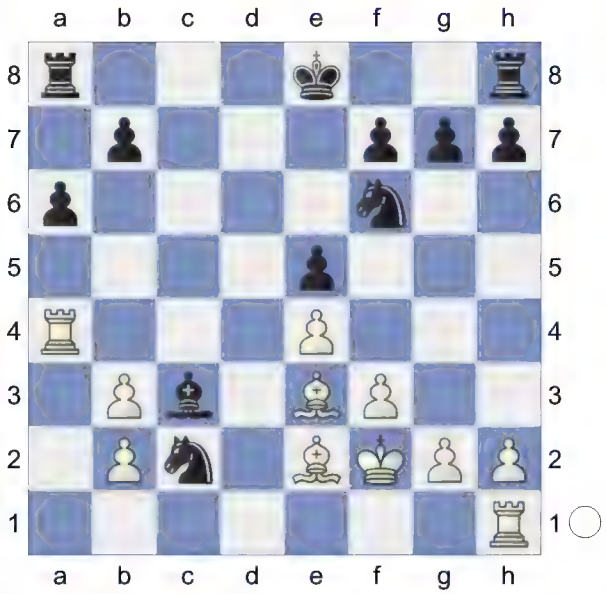


11.Be3 Nc6 12.Be2 -0.33/18
[Better is 12.Nc5= 0.25/18]
12...Bxb3∓ 13.axb3 Nd4 14.Kf2 -0.44/19
[14.Ra4= -0.02/19]
14...Nc2 0.35/20 Pair of Knights!
[14...Nxb3∓ -0.44/19 15.Ra4 Bc5]
15.Ra4± Threatens to win with Rc1.
15...Bxc3



16.bxc3 Nxe3 17.Kxe3 Ke7 18.Rb4 Rab8 19.Ra1 Rhc8 20.c4 Nd7

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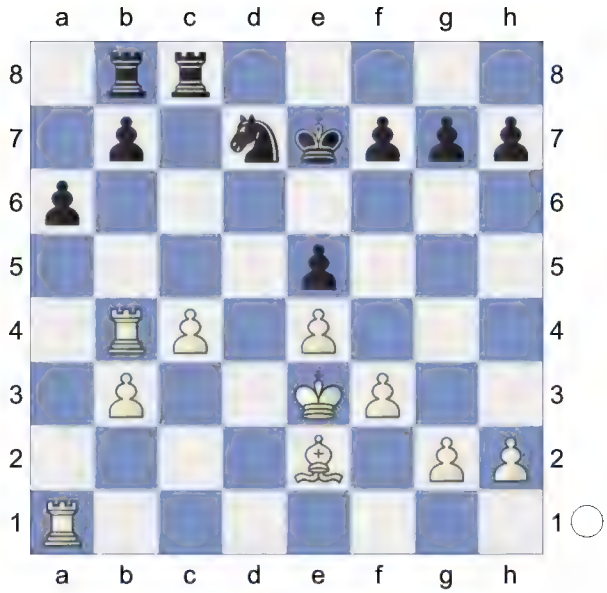
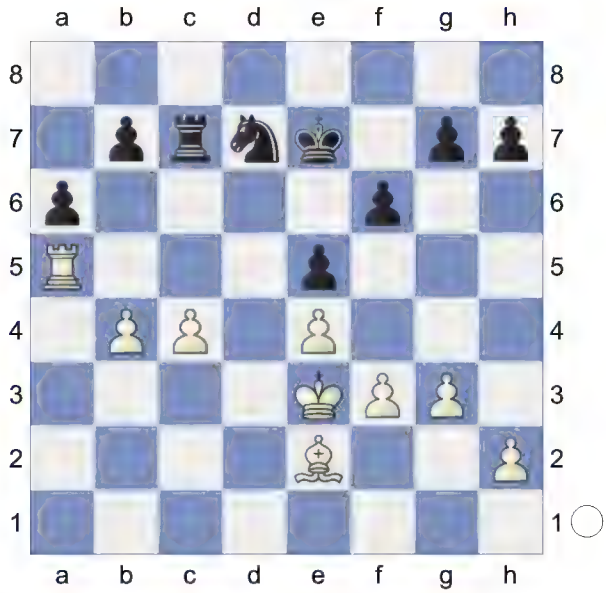


21.Ra5 Rc5 22.Rba4 Rbc8 23.b4 Rxa5 24.Rxa5= Endgame KRB-KRN
24...Rc7 25.g3 f6



26.f4! exf4+ 27.gxf4
[Don't play 27.Kxf4 Ne5=]
27...Nb6 0.89/22
[27...g6± 0.48/19 deserves consideration.]
28.c5 Nd7 29.Bc4 Nb8 30.Bd5 Nc6

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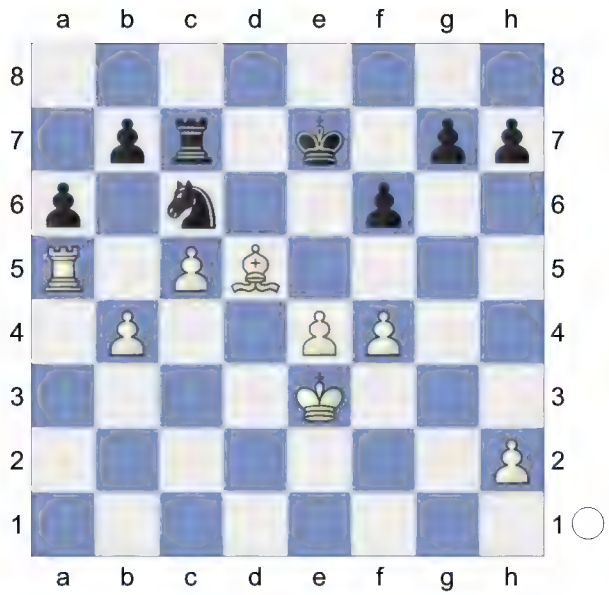

31.Ra4
[31.Bxc6!? Rxc6 32.Kd4±]
31...Kd7 1.05/20
[31...g5!± 0.45/20]
32.h4± Ne7 1.06/21
[32...Rc8± 0.65/21]
33.Kd4 0.37/21
[33.h5± 1.06/21]
33...g6 1.29/21
[33...Ng6!± 0.37/21]
34.Ra1 0.98/21
[⌓34.Ra3 1.29/21]
34...Nc6+ 1.78/21
[34...f5± 0.98/21]
35.Kc4+- Ke7

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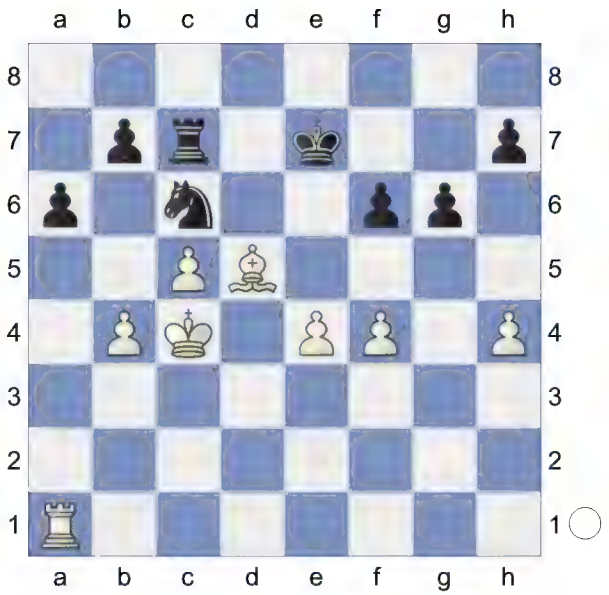
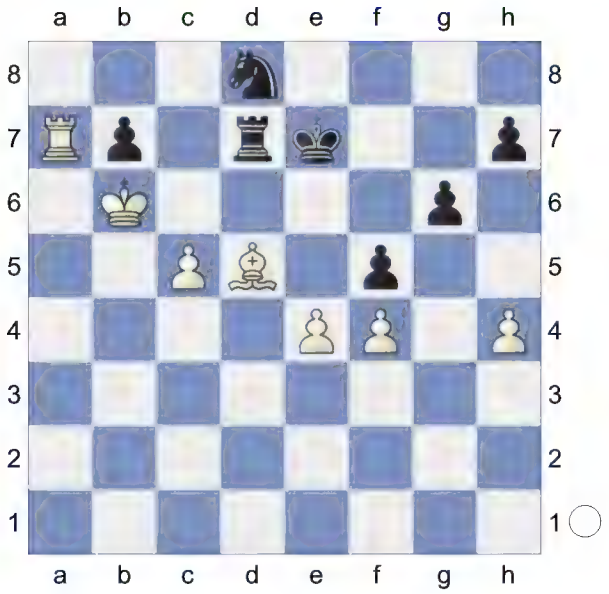


36.b5 axb5+ 37.Kxb5 Nd8 38.Kb6 Rd7 39.Ra7 0.85/21
[39.Rd1+- 2.06/20 has better winning chances.]
39...f5±



40.Bxb7 0.00/21
[White should try 40.Ra4!± 0.90/20]
40...Nxb7? 9.31/24
[40...Rxb7+= 0.00/21 41.Rxb7+ Nxb7 42.Kxb7 fxe4]

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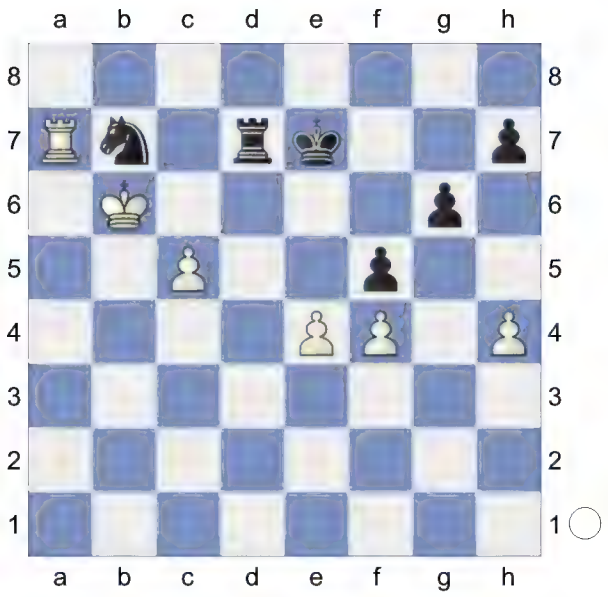
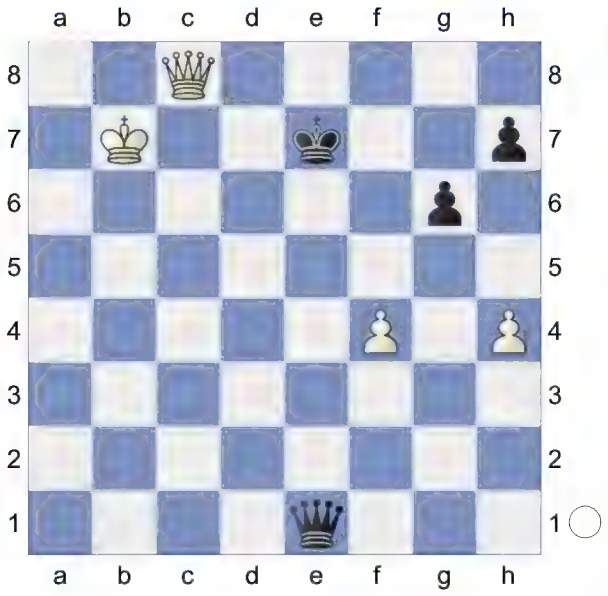
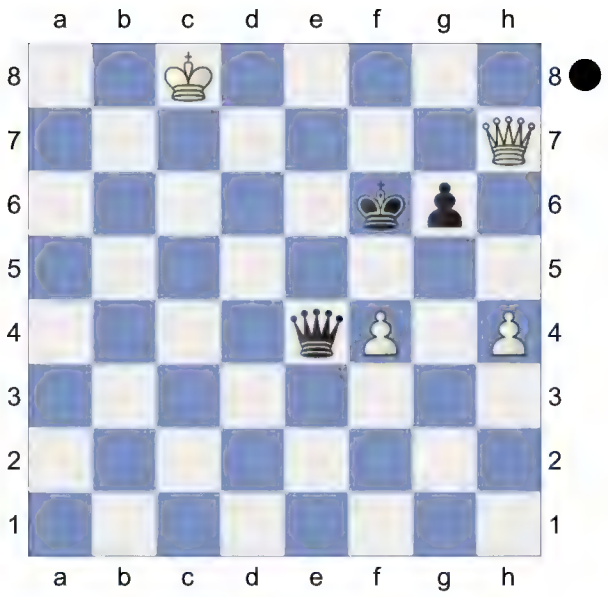


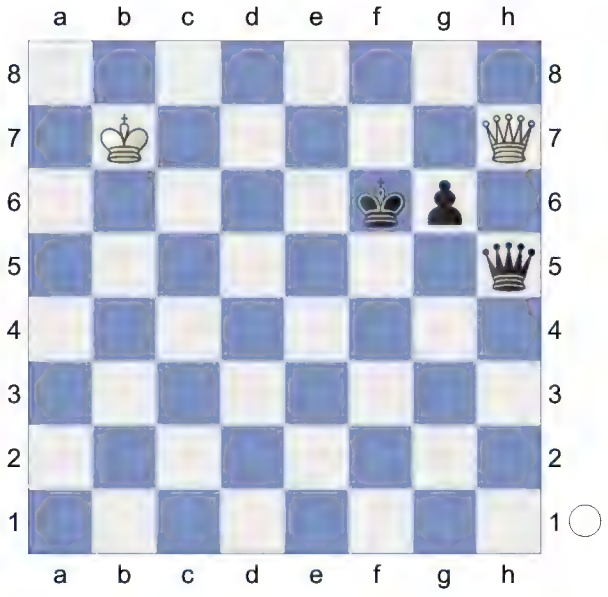
41.Rxb7? -1.06/21
[41.c6+- 9.31/24 Nc5 42.c7 Nxe4 43.c8Q Rxa7 44.Kxa7]
41...Rxb7+∓ 42.Kxb7 fxe4± aiming for ...e3. K3P-K3P **43.c6** White threatens c7 and mate. **43...e3 44.c7 e2 45.c8Q** Threatening mate with Qc7+. **45...e1Q=**



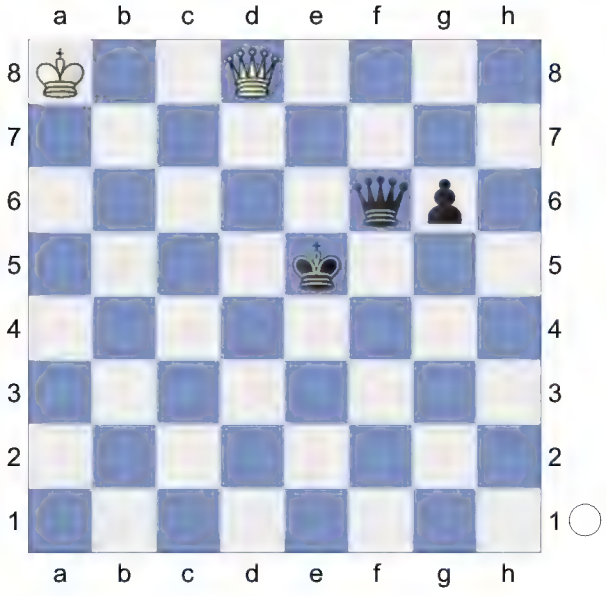
Strongly threatening ...Qb4+. KQ-KQ **46.Qc7+! Kf6** White must now prevent ... Qe7. **47.Qxh7 Qe4+ 48.Kc8?** -#12/22
[48.Kb6= -0.01/21]



48...Qxf4? -0.21/22
[48...Qa8+ -#12/22 49.Kc7 Qa7+ 50.Kd6 Qxh7 51.Kd5 Qxh4 52.Kd4 Qxf4+ 53.Kd3 g5 54.Ke2 g4 55.Ke1 g3 56.Ke2 g2 57.Kd3 g1Q 58.Kc2 Qgc1+ 59.Kd3 Qfe3#]
49.h5? -2.63/28
[49.Qd7= -0.21/22 and White is okay.]
49...Qf5+-+ 50.Kb7 Qxh5
[Not 50...gxh5? 51.Qh6+ Kf7 52.Qc6]



51.Qd7 -10.14/24
[51.Qg8 -2.51/27 Qb5+ 52.Kc8]
51...Qf3+ 52.Kb6 Qf5? -1.96/23
[52...Qe3+ -14.60/29 53.Kb5 Qe5+ 54.Kc4 Qe6+ 55.Qd5 Qxd5+ 56.Kxd5 Kf5 57.Kd4 Kf4 58.Kd3 Kf3 59.Kd2 g5 60.Kd1 Kf2 61.Kc2 g4 62.Kd2 g3 63.Kc3 Kf3 64.Kd4 g2 65.Ke5 g1Q 66.Ke6 Qd4 67.Kf7 Qd7+ 68.Kg6 Qe7 69.Kh6 Kf4 70.Kg6 Kg4 71.Kh6 Kf5 72.Kh5 Qh7#]
53.Qd8+ Ke5 54.Ka7? -#23/26
[54.Qc7+-+ -1.85/21 Kd4 55.Qg7+ Kd3 56.Qb2]
54...Qf7+ 55.Ka8 Qf6? -2.47/25
[55...Qd5+ -#13/24 mates 56.Qxd5+ Kxd5 57.Kb8 g5 58.Kc7 g4 59.Kd8 g3 60.Ke7 g2 61.Kf6 g1Q 62.Kf5 Qd4 63.Kg6 Qf4 64.Kh5 Qg3 65.Kh6 Ke5 66.Kh5 Kf6 67.Kh6 Qh4#]



56.Qe8+ Kf5 57.Qe2 Qe6 58.Qf3+ Ke5 (→ ...Qd5+) **59.Qe3+ Kf6 60.Qf4+ Qf5**

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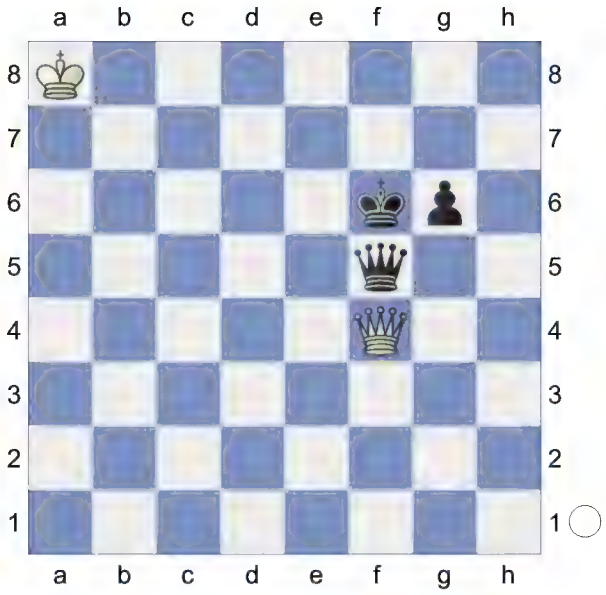
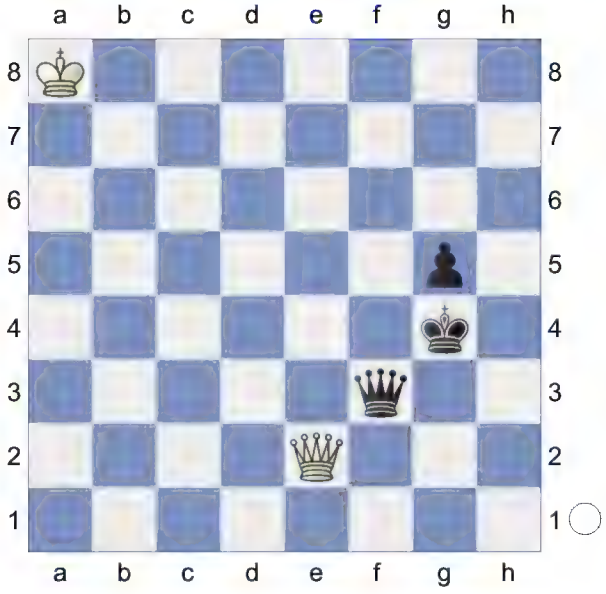


61.Qd6+ Kg5 62.Qe7+ -2.55/25
[62.Qd8+ -1.62/21 keeps fighting. Kg4 63.Qd4+ Kg3 64.Qg1+ Kf4 65.Qf1+ Ke3 66.Qe1+ Kf3 67.Qf1+ Kg4 68.Qg2+ Kh5 69.Qe2+ Kh6 70.Qh2+ Kg7 71.Qc7+ Qf7 72.Qe5+ Kg8 73.Qb5]
62...Kh5 63.Qh7+ Kg4 64.Qe7 g5 65.Qe2+? -#13/23
[65.Kb7-+ -2.64/21]
65...Qf3+



66.Qxf3+ Kxf3

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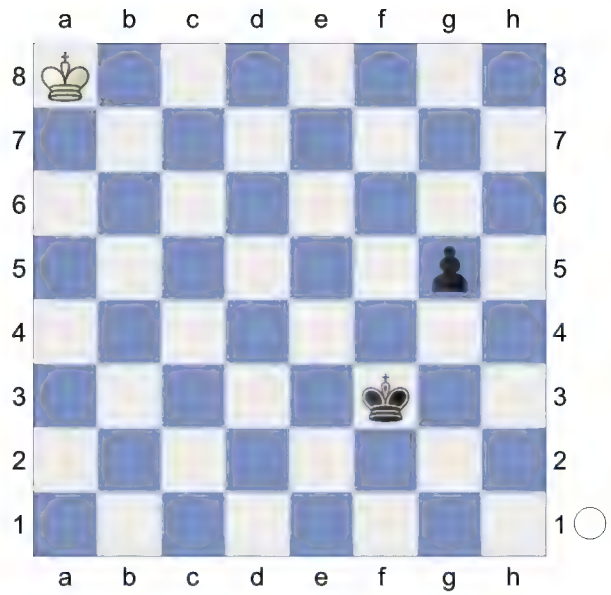

What a bad dream for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/Black=0.48

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33 **D06**
□ **DrawDenied_Twitch** **2851**
■ **mahdi_mh** **2375**
Rapid 06.07.2023
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D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...cxd4N
[3...Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4.Qxd4 e6 5.e4 exd5

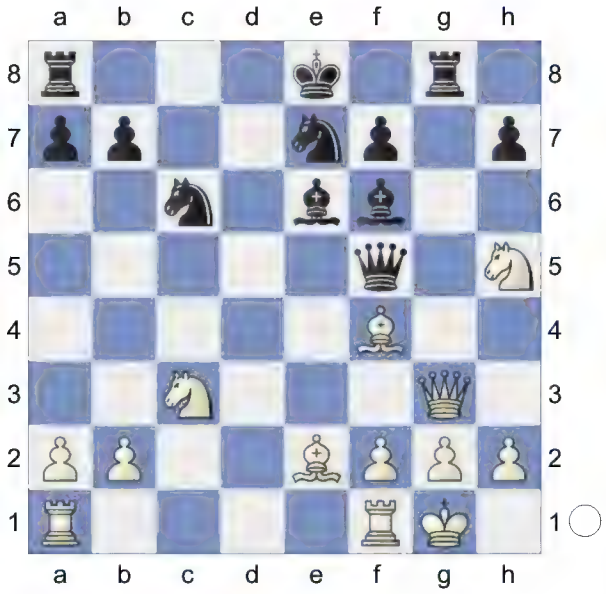
(Diagram)

6.exd5 Be7 1.37/20
[⌓6...Bd6 0.86/18]
7.Qxg7± &Bianco is more active. **7...Bf6**
8.Qg3 White is better. **8...Qxd5** 1.56/19
[⌓8...Ne7 1.23/17]
9.Nc3 Qe6+ 10.Be2! Ne7

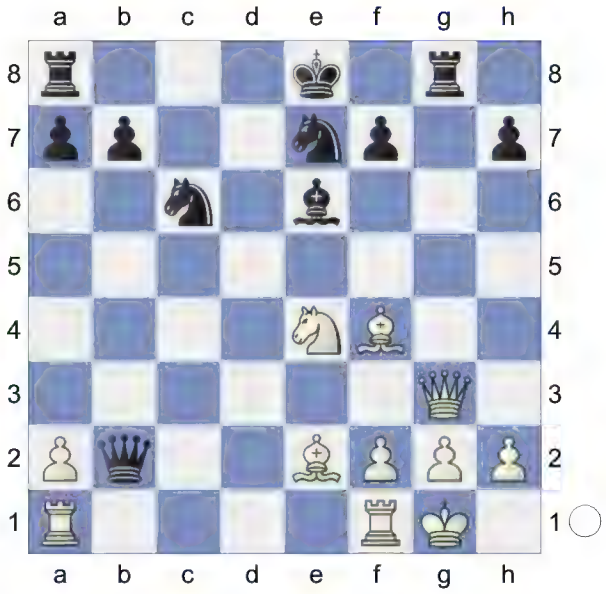
11.Nh3 1.35/19
[White should play 11.Nb5+- 1.84/20 Strongly threatening Nc7+. Nd5 12.Nf3]
11...Nbc6 1.97/19
[11...Rg8± 1.35/19 12.Qd3 *(12.Ng5 Bxg5 13.Bxg5 h6±)* 12...Nbc6]

12.Nf4 1.14/19
[12.Ng5+- 1.97/19 Bxg5 13.Nb5 *(13.Qxg5 Nd4±; 13.Bxg5 Nf5±)*]
12...Qe5 2.87/20
[12...Qf5± 1.14/19 13.0-0 Rg8]
13.Nh5!+- Be6 4.55/20
[13...Nf5 2.97/20 might work better.]
14.Bf4 Qf5

15.0-0 2.14/18
[⌓15.Ne4! 4.03/20 Be5 16.Ng7+ Bxg7 17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Nxf5 Nxf5 19.Qa3+ Kg8 20.Rc1]
15...Rg8



16.Nxf6+ Qxf6 17.Ne4↑ Keeping Black busy. **17...Qxb2** 2.53/18
[17...Qd4 1.66/20 was worth a try. 18.Qd3 Nd5]



18.Nd6+? 0.75/18
[18.Rab1!+- 2.53/18 is more deadly. Rxg3 *(18...Qxb1 19.Nf6+)* 19.Rxb2]
18...Kd7± 19.Qd3 Nd5 20.Nc4 0.79/19 The board is on fire.
[White should try 20.Ne4 1.27/20 Black must now prevent Rab1. Rxg2+ 21.Kxg2 Qxe2 22.Nc5+ *(22.Qxe2 Nxf4+ 23.Kf3 Nxe2±)* 22...Kc8 23.Qxe2 Nxf4+ 24.Kf3 Nxe2 25.Nxe6 *(25.Kxe2 Bc4+ 26.Nd3 Ne5=)*]
20...Qf6? 2.59/20
[20...Qxe2? 21.Qxe2 Nxf4 22.Qd2+ Nd5 23.Rab1+-]
[20...Rxg2+± 0.79/19 was called for. 21.Kxg2 Qxe2]

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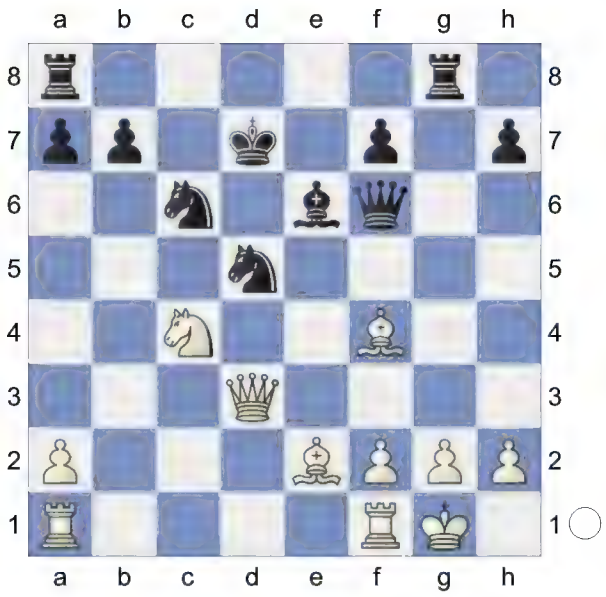

21.Bg3+- This bishop pair is nice.
21...b5? 4.69/21
[21...Ke8 2.46/16 22.Bf3 *(22.Qxh7 Kf8±)* 22...Nde7 23.Nd6+ Kf8 24.Nxb7 *(24.Qxh7 Nf5±)* 24...Rc8]
22.Ne3
[Not 22.Qa3 Nd4+-]
22...Qd4 23.Qxb5 Nc3? 9.44/19
[23...Rgb8 3.82/19]
24.Qd3? 2.36/18
[24.Qb7+ 9.44/19 Ke8 25.Qxa8+ Nd8 26.Bf3]
24...Nxe2+? 4.22/22
[24...Qxd3 2.36/18 was necessary. 25.Bxd3 Nb4]
25.Qxe2 White is clearly winning.
25...Ke7 14.08/23
[⌓25...Ke8 4.76/21 26.Rfd1 Qe4]

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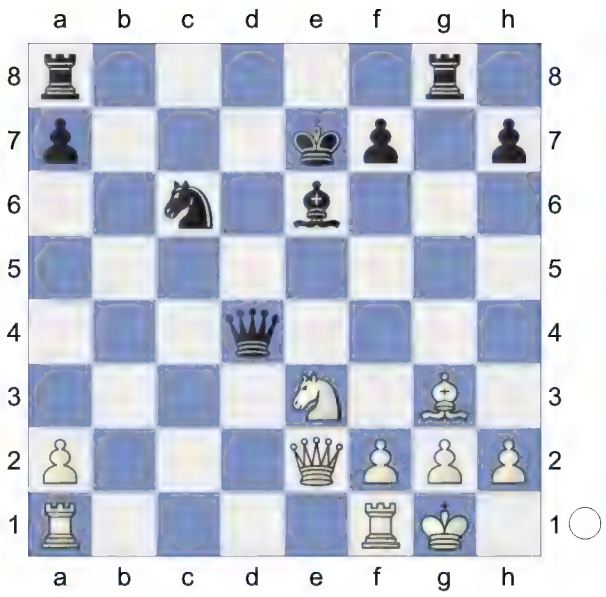

26.Rfd1 5.51/21
[⌓26.Nf5+ 14.08/23 Ke8 27.Nxd4 Nxd4 28.Qe4]
26...Qb6 27.Nd5+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/ Black=0.62
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34 **D06**
□ **Miquella** **2849**
■ **Zayats71** **2740**
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[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)*)* 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)*)* 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qxd5

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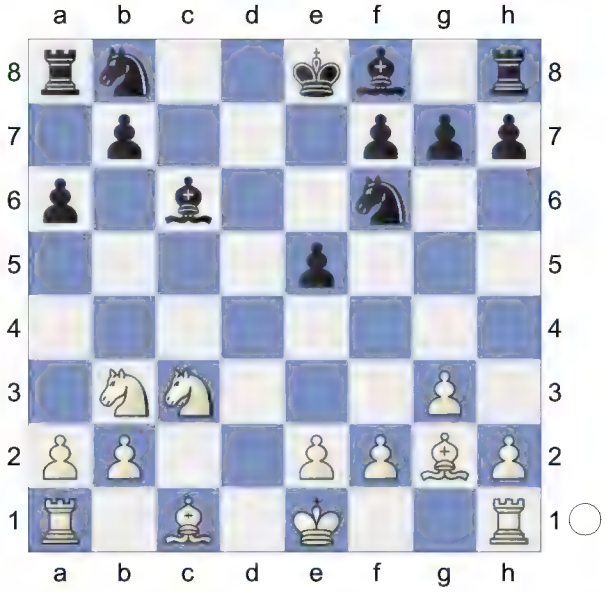
6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6



11.0-0 Bxg2 White is slightly better.
12.Kxg2 Bb4 13.Bg5 Bxc3 0.95/20
[13...Nbd7!± 0.50/21 is more appropriate.]
14.Bxf6±
[Much worse is 14.bxc3 Nbd7=]
14...gxf6 15.bxc3 0.35/21
[15.Rfc1± 0.94/21]
15...Nd7

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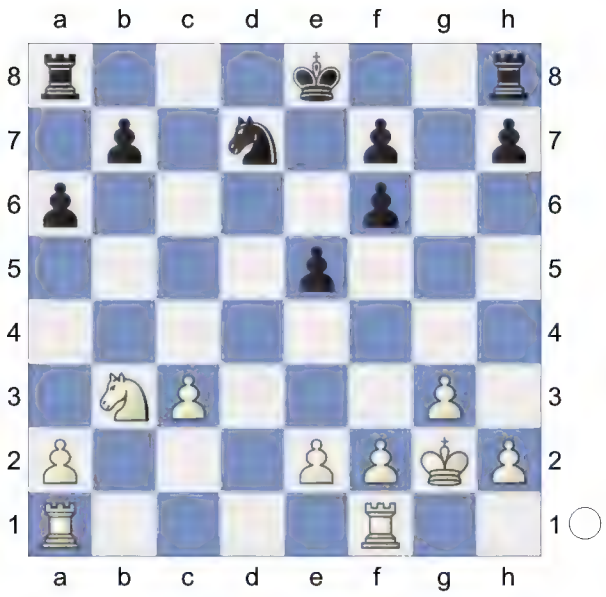
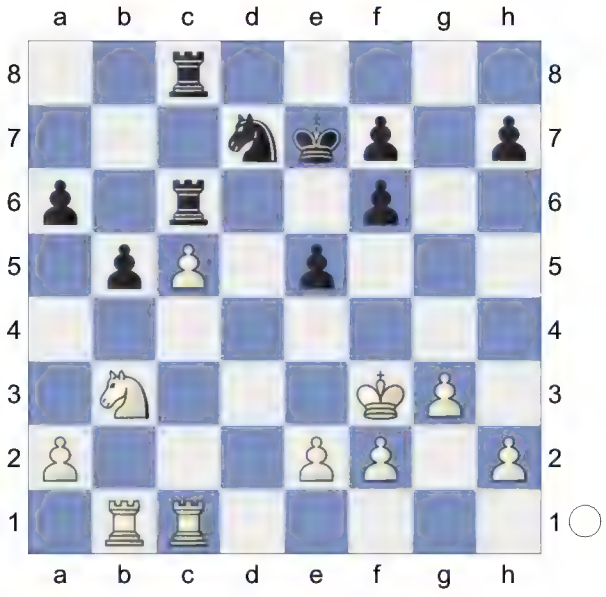
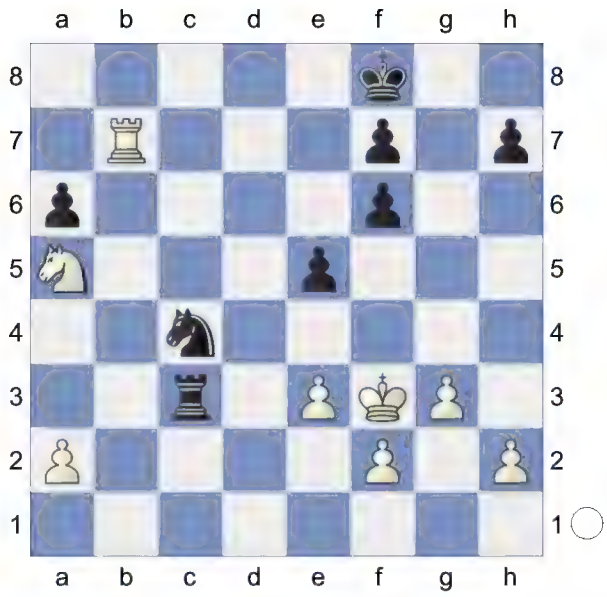


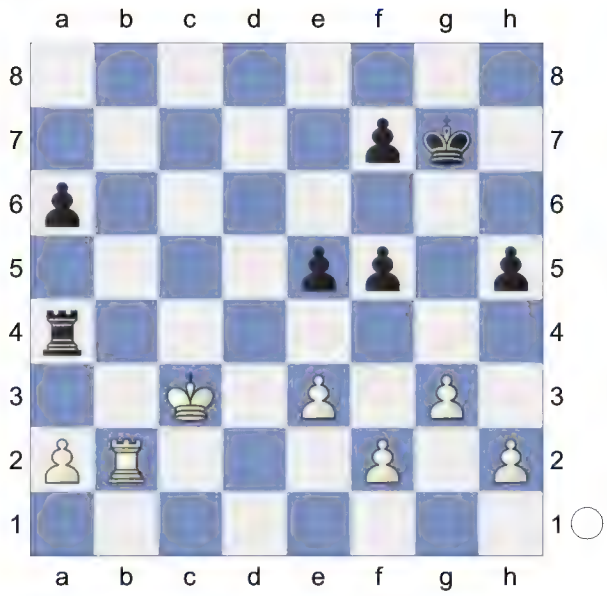
16.c4 0.14/20
[16.Na5± 0.52/20 is superior.]
16...Ke7= 17.Rfc1 Rhc8 18.c5 Rc6 19.Rab1 0.01/21
[19.Na5± 0.33/23 Rxc5 20.Nxb7]
19...Rac8 20.Kf3 b5



21.cxb6! Nxb6 22.Rxc6 Rxc6
Endgame KRN-KRN **23.Na5 Rc3+ 24.e3**
[24.Kg4!? Nd7 25.Rb2=]
24...Nc4 0.34/26
[24...Rc5= 0.01/20]
25.Rb7+± Kf8



26.Nxc4 Rxc4 KR-KR **27.Rb2** -0.01/25
[27.Rb6± 0.45/27]
27...Ra4 28.Ke2 f5 29.Kd3 Kg7 30.Kc3 h5



31.Kb3 Ra5 32.a4 f4 33.Rd2 fxe3 34.fxe3 Rc5 35.Kb4 -0.18/22
[⌓35.Rd6 0.26/23]
35...Rc6=

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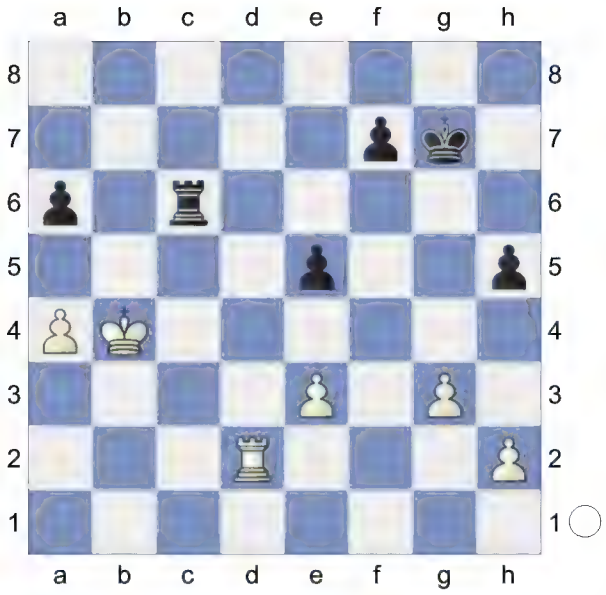
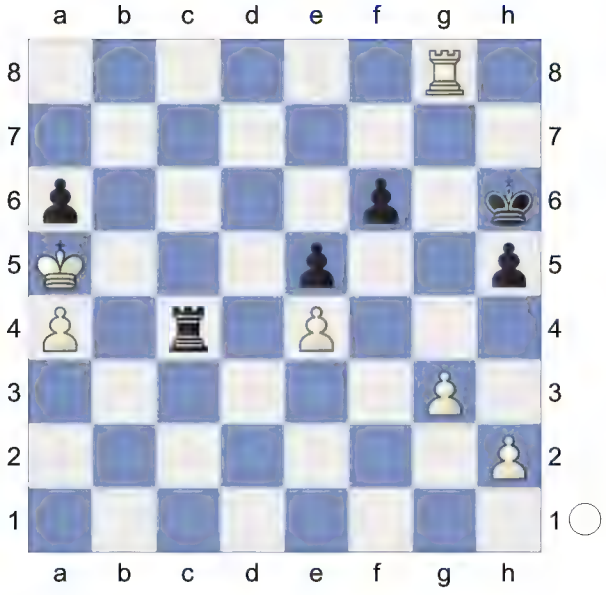


36.e4 Kg6 37.Rd5 f6 38.Ka5 -0.85/23
[38.a5= 0.01/21 remains equal.]
38...Kg5∓ 39.Rd8 Rc4 -0.24/22
[39...Kg4∓ -0.80/25]
40.Rg8+= Kh6



41.g4? -3.94/25
[41.Ra8= -0.24/21]
41...Rxe4 -2.36/23
[⌓41...hxg4 -3.94/25 42.Rxg4 f5]
42.Rh8+ -3.33/24
[⌓42.h3 -2.36/23 hxg4 43.hxg4]
42...Kg5 43.gxh5 f5 44.h6 f4 45.h7
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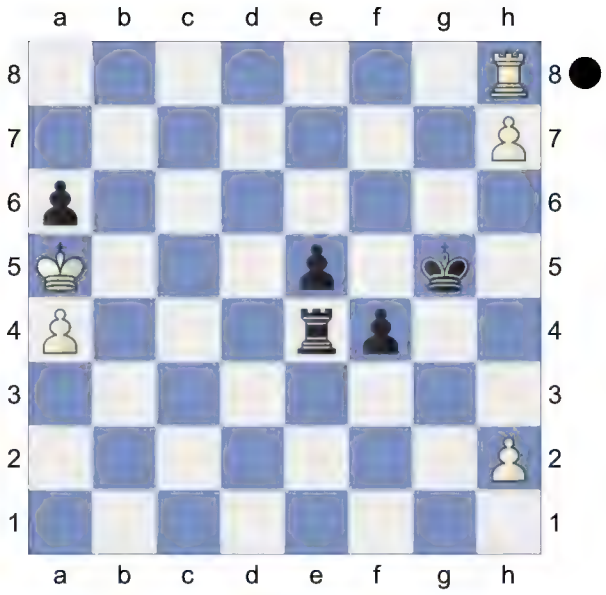
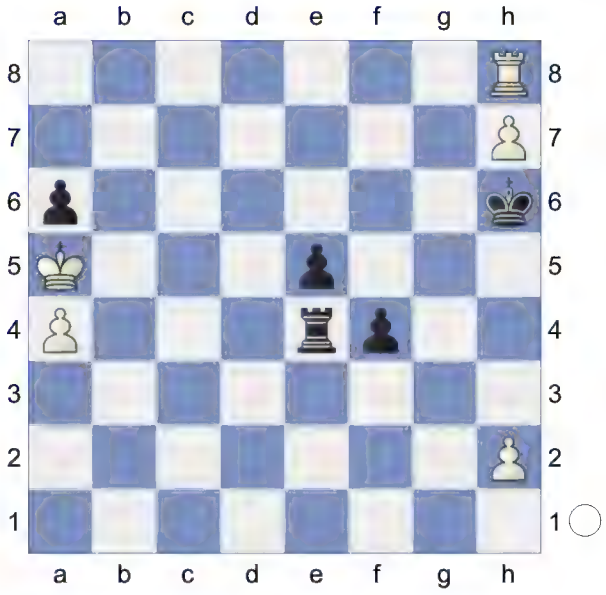


Threatening mate with Rg8+. **45...Kh6**



And now ...Kg7 would win. **46.h3?** -2.87/24
[46.h4∓ -1.09/24]
46...Kg7-+ 47.Ra8 -6.19/23
[47.Rf8 -2.55/20 Kxh7 48.h4]
47...Kxh7 Threatens to win with ...f3.
48.Rxa6 Kg7 Inhibits Rf6. **49.Rd6 f3** ...f2 is the strong threat. **50.Rd1 Rf4**

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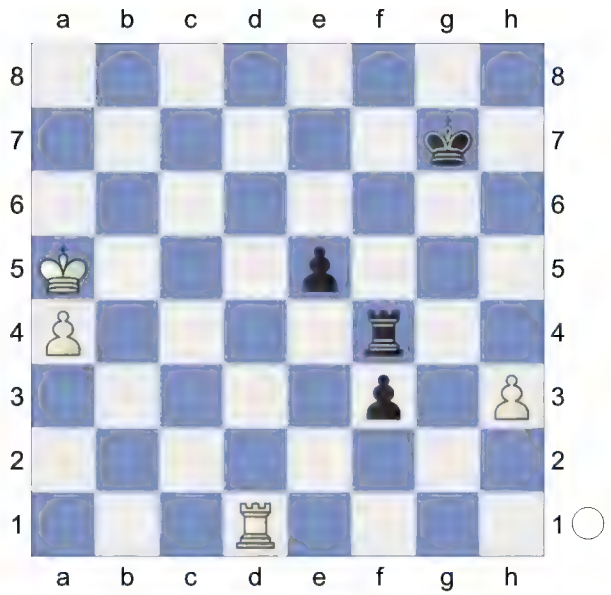
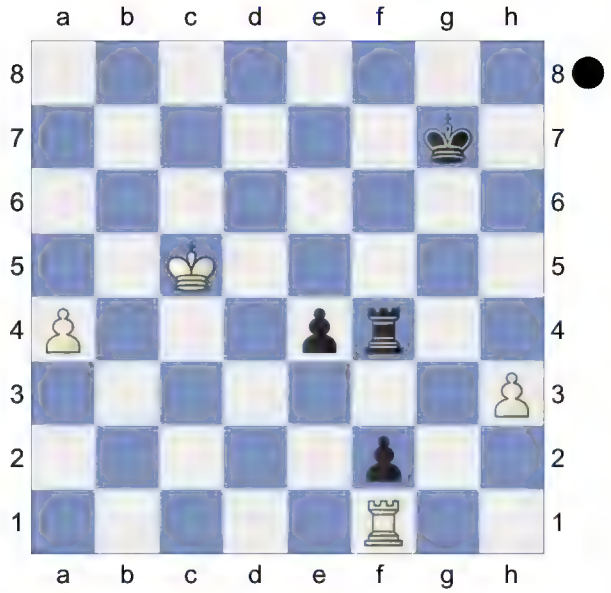


51.Kb5 f2 52.Rf1 e4? -1.36/15
[52...Kf6-+ -4.63/21 and Black stays clearly on top. 53.Kc5 Kf5]
53.Kc5? -#10/17
[53.Kc4∓ -1.36/15]



53...e3

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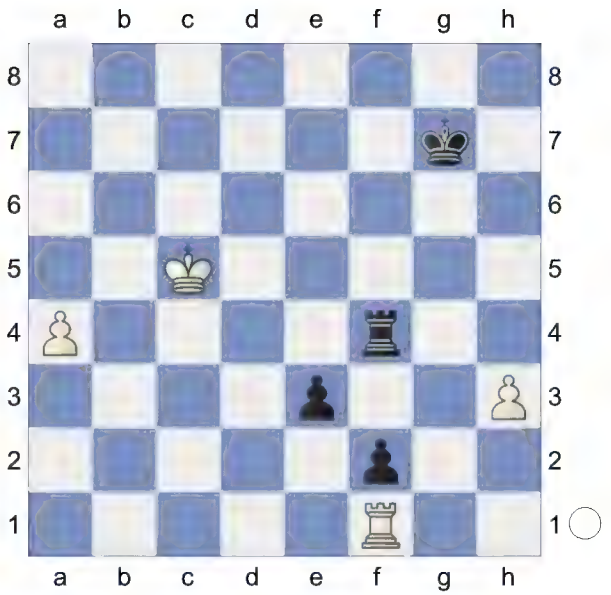

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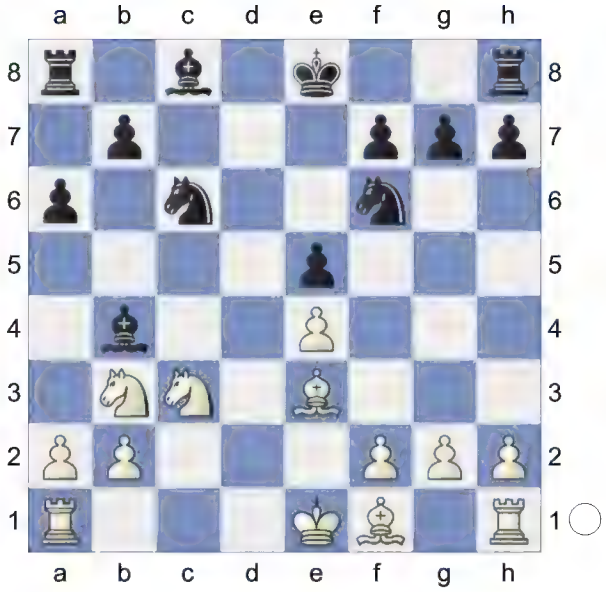
35 **D02**
□ **Alexandr_KhleBovich** **2848**
■ **Zayats71** **2779**
Blitz 29.10.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Qxd4N**
[4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 *(7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5* Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) *22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6* Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)*)* 7...Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 Nimzowitsch,A (2550)-Giersing,J Copenhagen 1924 [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] 1-0 (68) 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 Brandics,J (2550)-N,N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/ année] 1-0 (68)]
4...Nf6 5.cxd5 Qxd5

6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.e4 e5 9.Nb3 Nc6 10.Be3 The position is equal. **10...Bb4**



11.f3 Be6 12.Nc5 Bxc5 13.Bxc5 0-0-0 14.Rc1 Kb8 15.Bb6 0.01/20
[15.b4± 0.67/19]
15...Rd7 0.35/20
[15...Rd6= 0.01/20
is more appropriate.]

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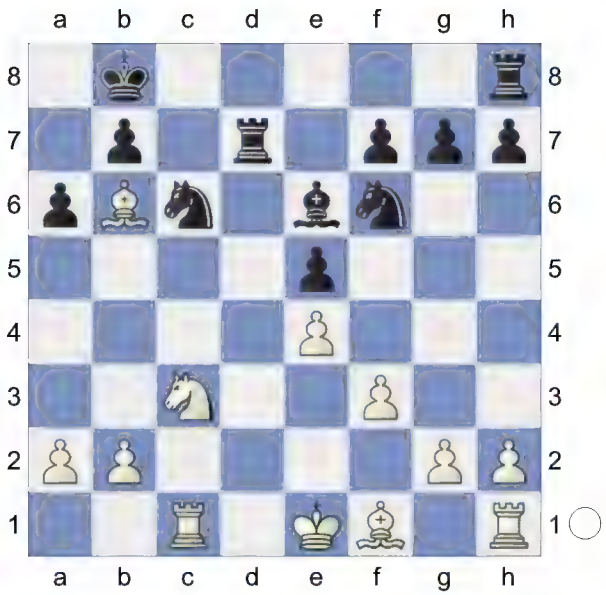
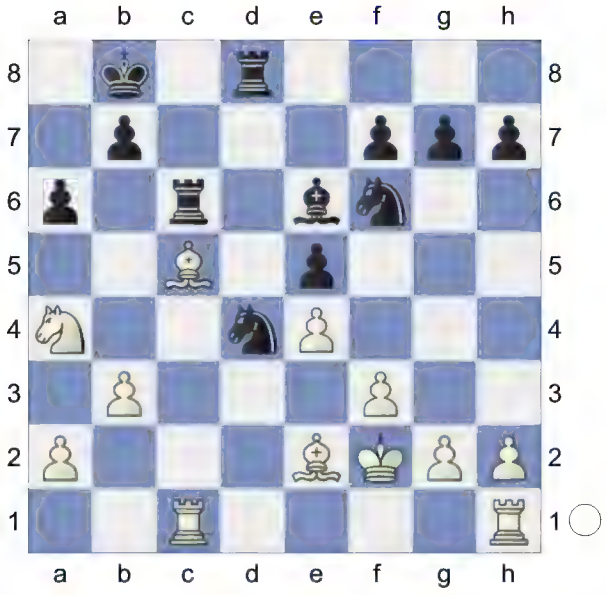
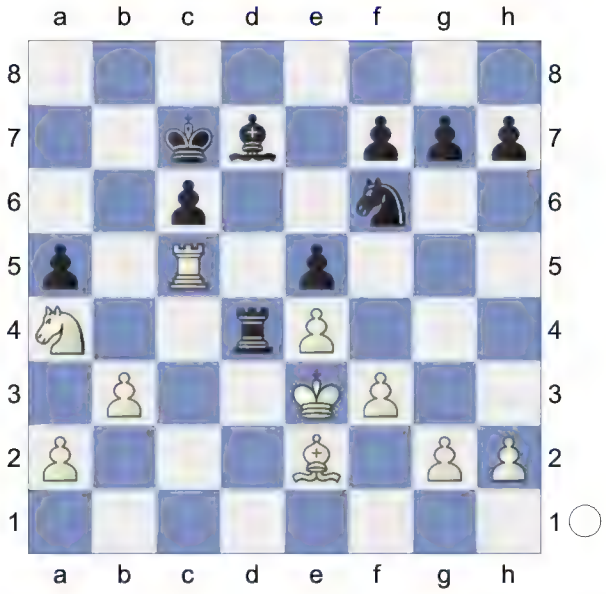


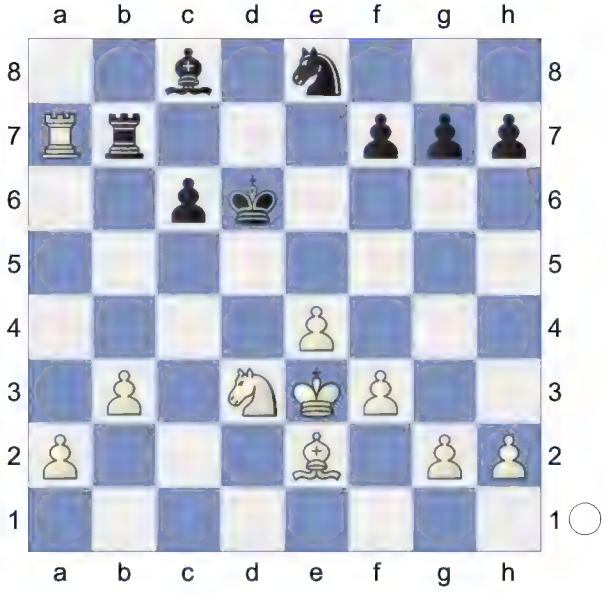
16.Be2 0.01/20
[16.Na4± 0.35/20]
16...Nd4= 17.b3 Rc8 With the idea ... Rd6. **18.Kf2 Rc6** 0.69/21
[Better is 18...Rd6= 0.08/21 19.Bxd4 Rxd4]
19.Na4± Rdd6 1.49/23
[⌓19...Rxc1 0.72/20 20.Rxc1 Ne8]
20.Bc5± Rd8



21.Bxd4 Rxd4 22.Rxc6 bxc6 23.Ke3
[Don't play 23.Bxa6?! Rd2+ 24.Be2 Rxa2=]
23...a5 24.Rc1 Black must now prevent Rc5. **24...Bd7** 3.18/21
[⌓24...Rd6 1.72/20 25.Rc5 Nd7]
25.Rc5+- Kc7? 5.47/23
[25...Be6 3.32/19 26.Rxe5 Rd8]



26.Rxe5 White is clearly winning.
26...Rb4 27.Rxa5 Ne8 28.Ra7+ Kd6 29.Nc5 Bc8 8.58/23
[⌓29...Kxc5 4.62/22 30.Rxd7 f6]
30.Nd3 Rb7



31.Rxb7 Bxb7 32.e5+ Kd5 33.f4

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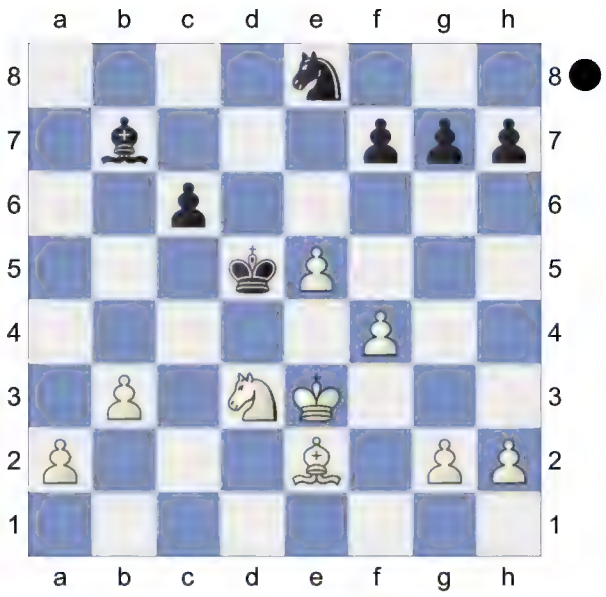
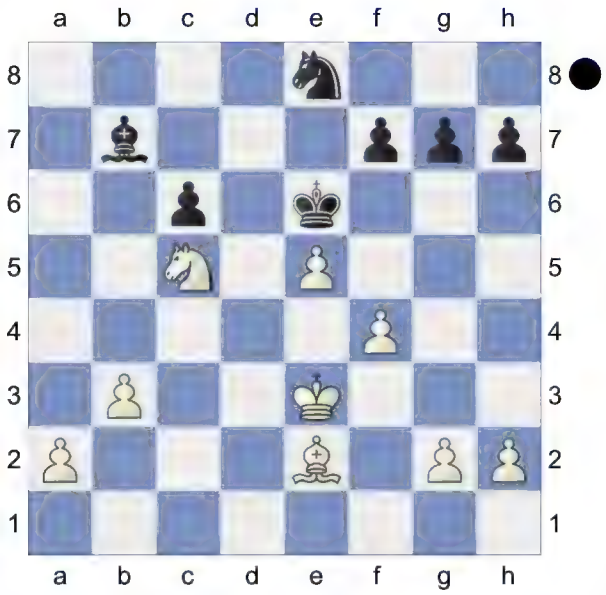


White threatens f5 and mate. **33...Ke6 34.Nc5+**



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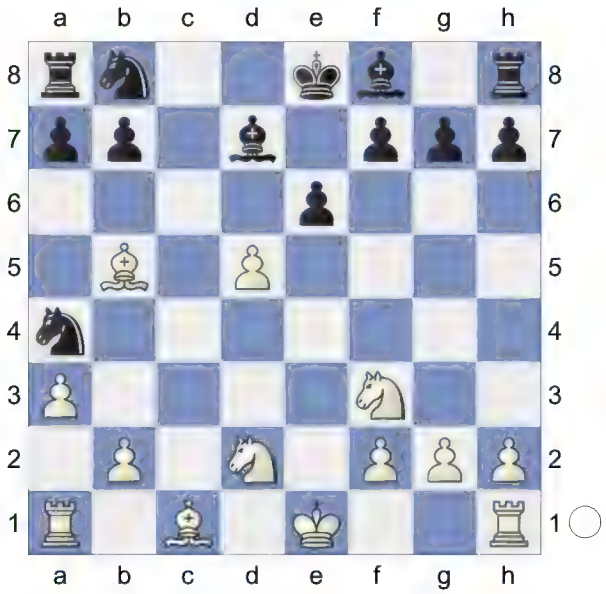
36 **D06**
□ **A-Liang** **2840**
■ **Gaius_Baltar** **2841**
Blitz 01.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.e4N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+

(Diagram)

6.Nd2 0.09/19
[6.Bd2± 0.41/19 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 *(7.Nxd2 e6±)* 7...Qxc5 8.Na3]
6...Nxc5 7.Ngf3 e6 8.a3 Black must now prevent b4. White is slightly better.
8...Qa4 0.87/19
[8...Nca6!± 0.33/19]
9.Qxa4+ Nxa4 10.Bb5+ Bd7



11.Bxd7+ Nxd7 12.dxe6 fxe6 13.0-0 Be7 14.Re1 Kf7 15.Ne4 h6

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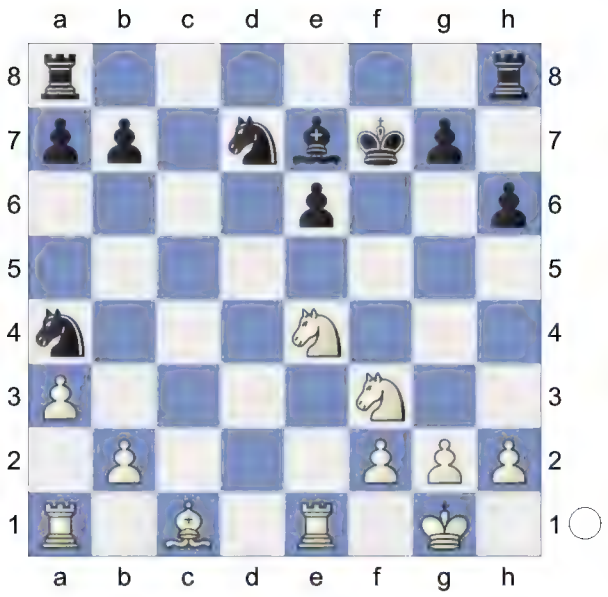
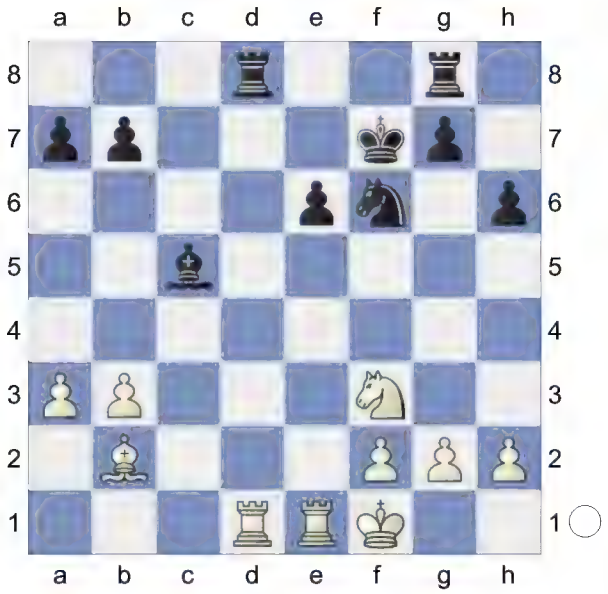


Prevents Nfg5+. **16.b3 Nac5 17.Nxc5 Bxc5 18.Bb2 Rad8 19.Rad1 Rhg8 20.Kf1 Nf6**



21.Ne5+ Ke7 22.Ng6+ 0.27/20
[22.Rc1± 0.79/20 Bd6 23.Nc4]
22...Kf7!= 23.Ne5+ Ke7 24.Nd3 0.12/20
[24.Rc1± 0.64/20 Bd6 25.Nc4]
24...Bd4 25.Bc1 Kf7

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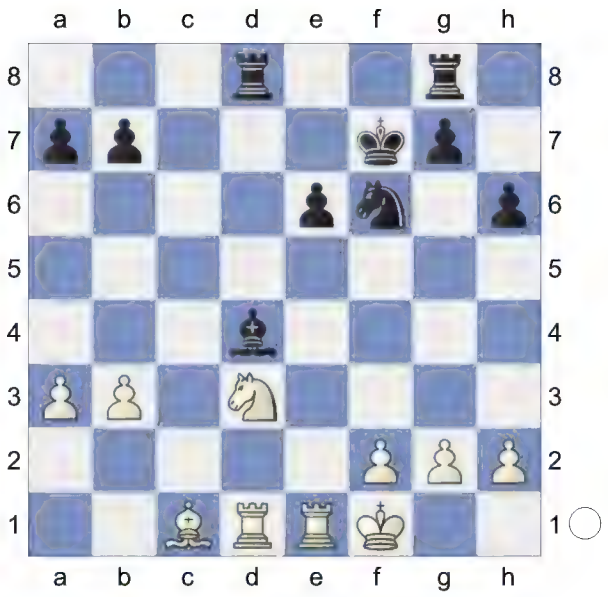
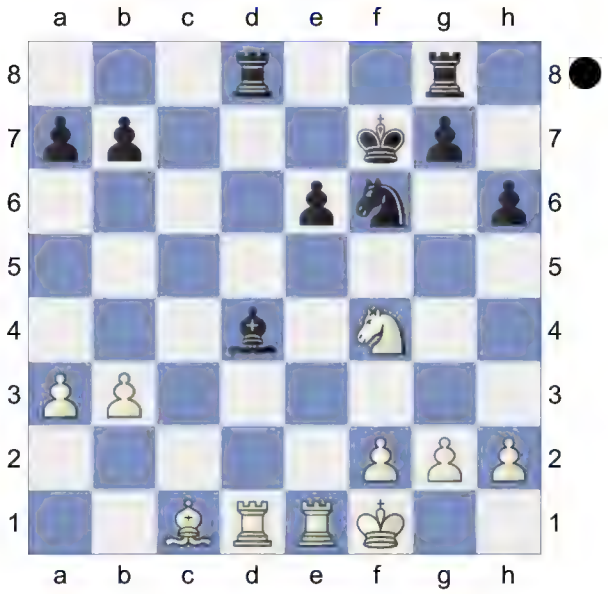


26.Nf4? -1.58/21
[26.Be3= 0.23/19 Bc3 27.Re2]



26...Bc3!∓ Black converts the advantage convincingly.
[Weaker is 26...e5 27.Ne2=]
27.Be3 -3.12/23
[27.Nd3 -1.70/20 is a better defense.]
27...Bxe1 28.Rxe1 e5 29.Ne2 b6 30.Rc1 Rc8

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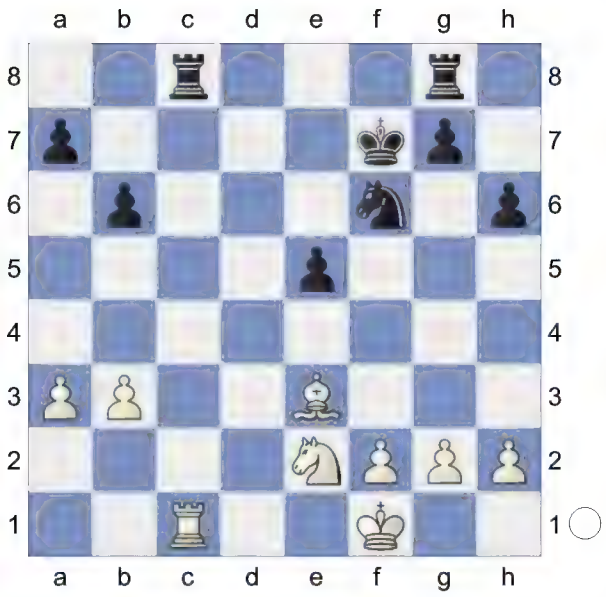
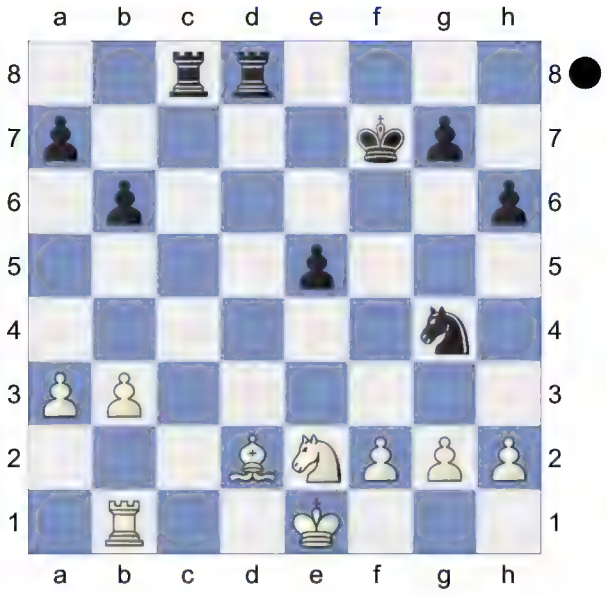


31.Rb1 Rgd8 32.Ke1 Ng4 33.Bd2 -6.59/22

[⌓33.Bc1 -4.24/22]



33...Nxf2!-+ 34.Nc3

[34.Bc3 Ng4]

34...Nd3+ 35.Ke2 Nf4+

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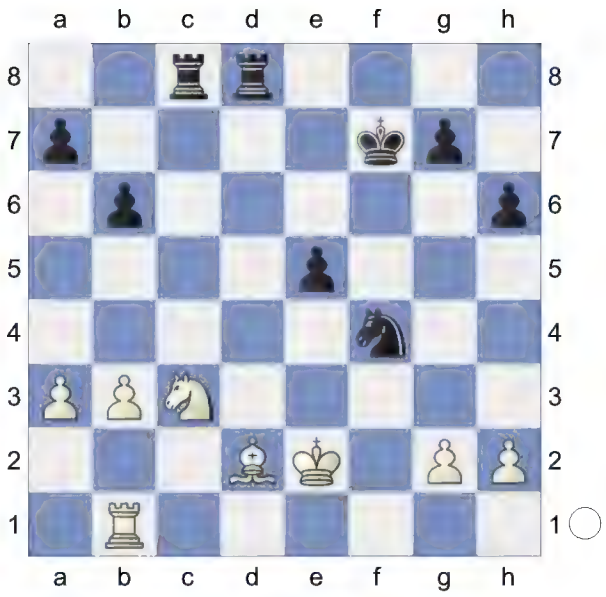
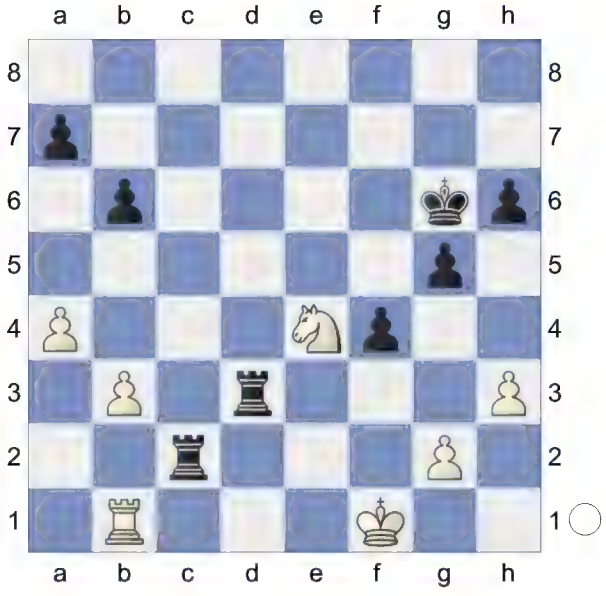


36.Bxf4 exf4 Endgame KRR-KRN **37.Ne4 g5 38.h3 Rc2+ 39.Kf1 Rd3 40.a4 Kg6**



41.b4 Rd4 42.Nf2 Rdd2 43.Ng4 Rxg2 Strongly threatening ...f3. **44.Re1 h5 45.Ne5+ Kf5**

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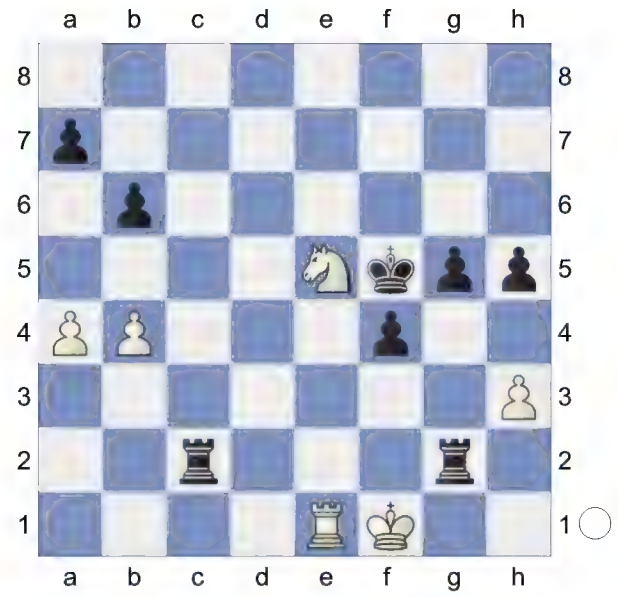
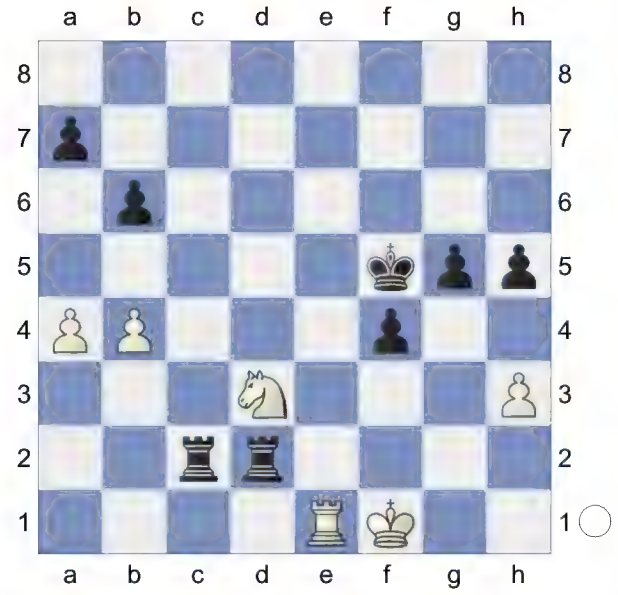


46.Nd3 Rgd2 -17.92/22

[⌓46...Rh2 -#9/21 47.Re5+ Kf6 48.Re2 Rcxe2 49.Ne1 g4 50.Kg1 f3 51.hxg4 hxg4 52.Nxf3 gxf3 53.b5 Reg2+ 54.Kf1 Rh1#]



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37 **D06**
□ **treqoiazer** **2836**
■ **Zayats71** **2757**
Blitz 21.03.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4N**
[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2* Comas,F-Martens,M Thessaloniki 1982 Telechess CBM 89 [Franco Ocampos,Zenon] 1-0 (61)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 *(7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 7...Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41)]
5...Qxd5

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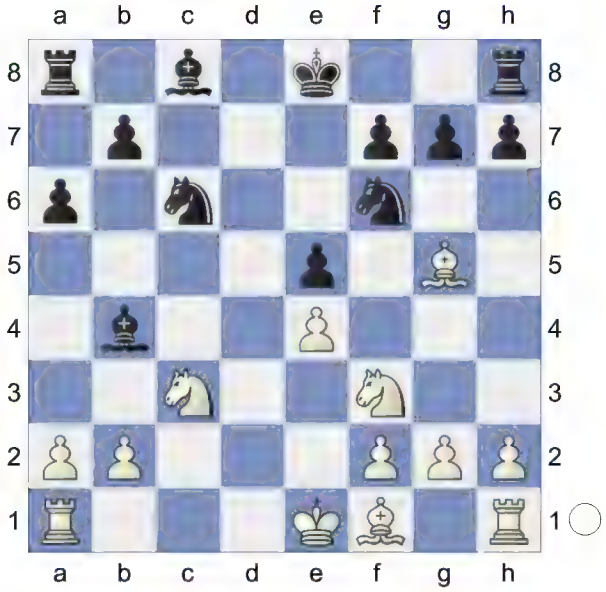
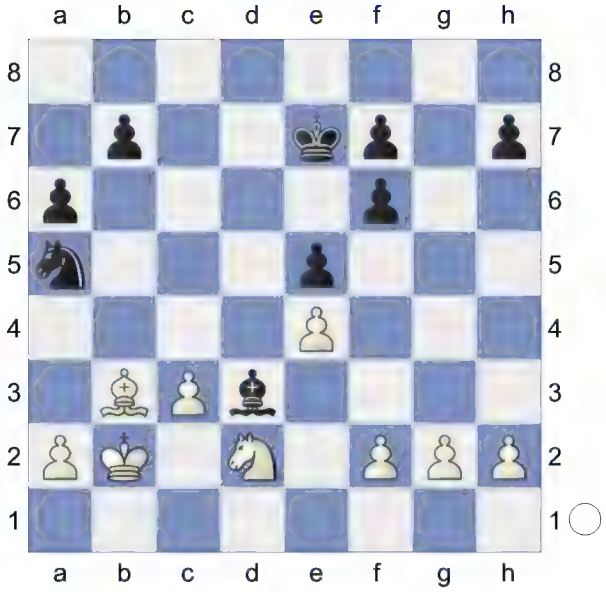
6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.e4 e5 9.Nf3 Nc6 10.Bg5 The position is equal.
10...Bb4



11.Bxf6
[11.Bd3 is more complex. Be6 12.Ke2 Rd8 13.Rac1]
11...Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 gxf6 13.0-0-0 -0.73/18
[13.Bc4= -0.19/19]
13...Be6∓ 14.Kb2 Ke7 15.Be2 Rhd8 -0.27/21
[15...Rhc8∓ -0.77/19]

16.Rxd8 Rxd8 17.Rd1 Rxd1
18.Bxd1∓ Endgame KBN-KBN **18...Na5**
19.Bb3 Bc4 0.01/21
[19...Kd6∓ -0.33/19]
20.Nd2 Bd3



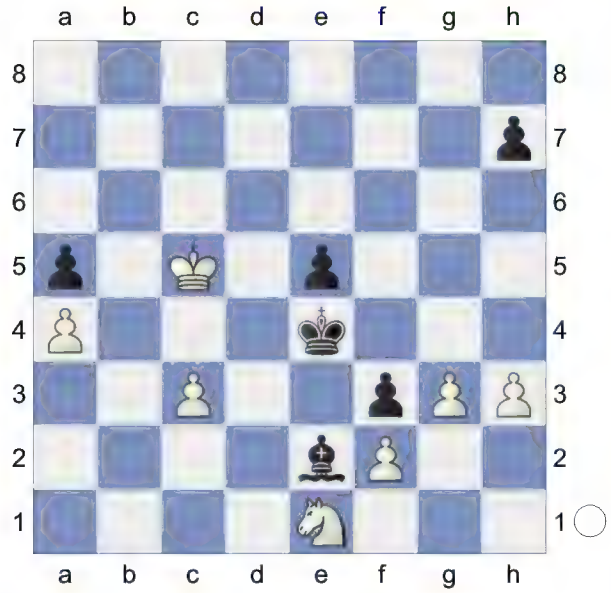
21.Bd5 b5 0.59/21 Prevents c4.
[21...f5!= 0.01/22]
22.Ka3± And now Kb4 would win.
22...f5? 3.49/24
[Black should play 22...Kd6!± 0.63/23]
23.Kb4+- Nc4 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.exf5
[25.Nxc4?! Bxe4 26.f3 *(26.Nxe5 Bxg2 27.Kc5 Ke6±)* 26...Bb1±]

25...Bxf5

26.Nxc4 KB-KN **26...Ke6 27.Ne3 Bd3** 2.55/24
[27...Bb1 1.72/23 was worth a try. 28.a3 Kd6]
28.Kc5 f5 29.g3 f4 30.Ng2 1.32/21
[30.Nd5+- 1.87/23]
30...Kf5

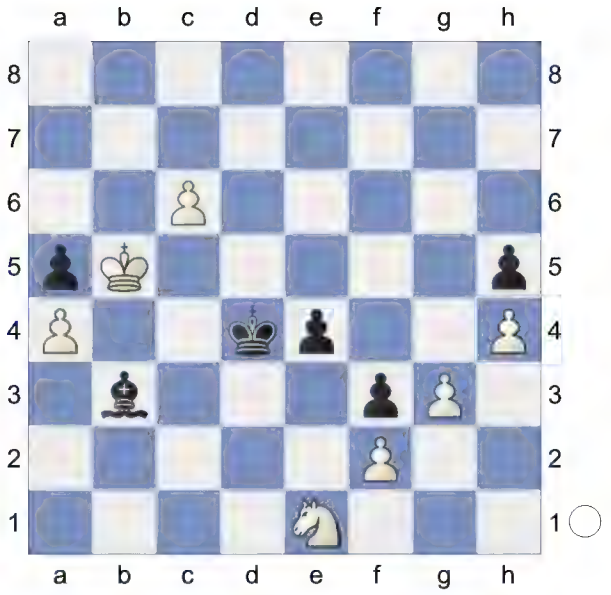
31.Kd6 0.86/23
[⌓31.gxf4 1.55/22 exf4 32.Kd4]
31...Ke4± 32.Ne1 Hoping for f3+.
32...Bc4 33.a4 f3 1.21/24
[33...h5± 0.69/22]

34.h3 0.66/24
[White should try 34.a5± 1.21/24]
34...a5 1.01/25
[34...Bf1± 0.66/24 is superior.]
35.Kc5 Be2

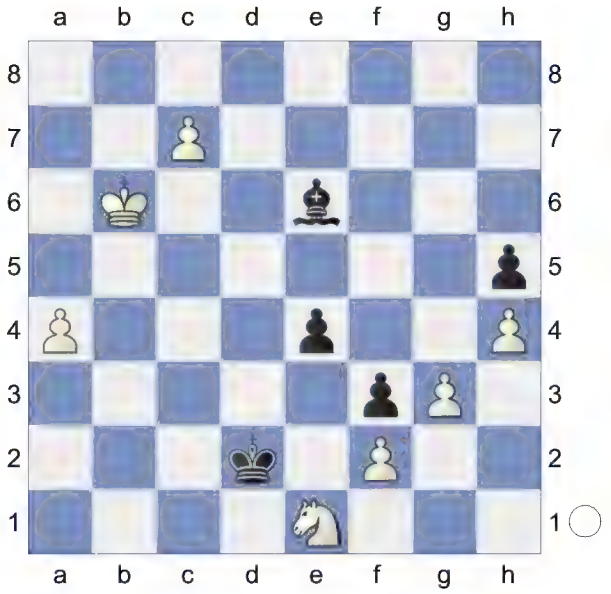


36.c4 h5 1.12/22
[36...h6± 0.54/22]
37.h4 0.01/24
[37.Kb6± 1.12/22]
37...Bd1= 38.Kb5 Kd4 1.20/23
[38...Kf5= 0.00/24 remains equal.]
39.c5±
[39.Kxa5 Kxc4 40.Kb6 e4∓]
39...e4 White must now prevent ...Kd5.
40.c6
[40.Kxa5 Kxc5 41.Ka6 e3 42.Nxf3 exf2-+]
40...Bb3 2.78/23
[⌓40...e3 1.93/24 41.fxe3+ Kd5 42.Nxf3 *(42.Kxa5? f2-+)* 42...Bxf3]

(Diagram)

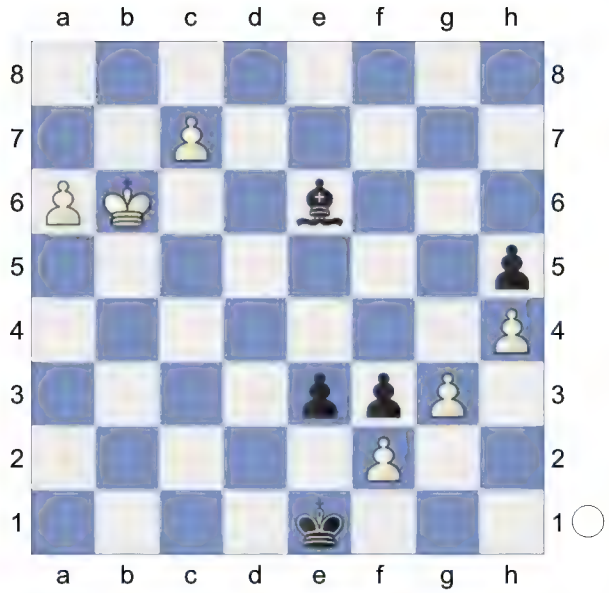


41.c7 1.42/25
[Better is 41.Kxa5+- 2.78/23 Kc5 42.Nc2! *(42.c7 Be6±)*]
41...Be6 42.Kxa5 Kc3 43.Kb6 Kd2



44.a5? -7.13/19 **Kxe1-+ 45.a6 e3?** 0.01/17
[45...Kxf2-+ -5.98/19 Strongly threatening ...e3. 46.a7 e3]

(Diagram)

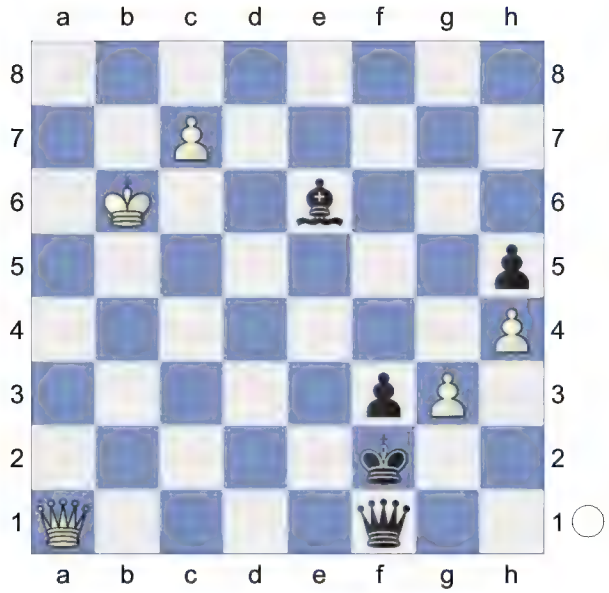


46.a7? -7.72/19

[46.fxe3= 0.01/17 f2 47.a7]

46...exf2 Black is clearly winning.

47.a8Q f1Q 48.Qa1+ Kf2



Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.65/Black=0.53

0-1

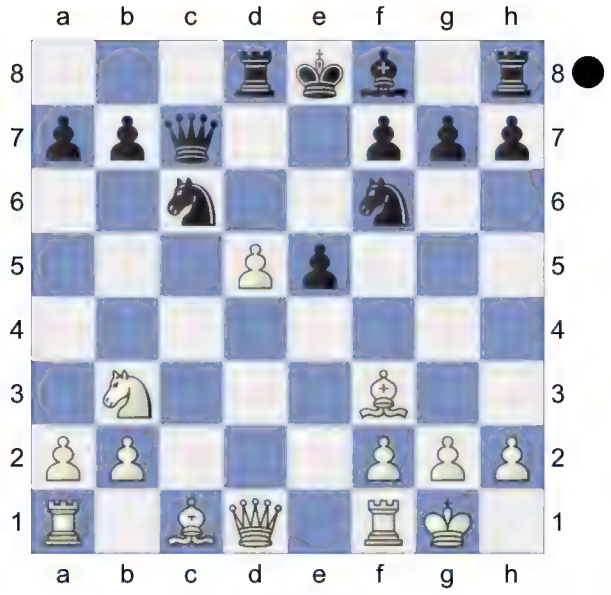
38 **D06**
□ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2830**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2788**
CCT Final Playoff 2023 rapid (4.1)
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Prevents e4. **7.Nb3**
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41) 37.Bxh6 b4 38.Bf4 b3 39.axb3 axb3 40.Rb2 Rc3 41.Rb1 Kd5 0-1 (41) Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan]]
7...Qc7 8.e4 White is slightly better. White has an edge.
[8.Bg5 Nc6 9.e4 Bg4 10.f3 Rd8 11.Qc1 Bc8 12.Be2 e6 13.Bf4 e5 14.Bg5 Be6 15.0-0 Be7 16.Nb5 Qb8 17.Nc5 Bc8 18.Na6 bxa6 19.Qxc6+ Kf8 20.Nc3 Qb6+ 21.Qxb6 axb6 22.Be3 b5 1-0 Manea,A (2382)-Lapeyre,P (1981) Sautron op 16th 2016 (1.12)]
[8.Nb5 Qc6 9.e4 Nxe4 10.Be3 37) 2...c5-2...c5 with 3...Qxd5 #3 Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
8...Nc6
[8...e6 is interesting. 9.Nb5 Qe5 10.Be2 Nc6]
9.Be2 e5N
[9...e6 10.0-0 a6 *(10...Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5 Bb3 23.Qc1 Nc6 24.Rd6* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)*)* 11.Be3 Bd6 12.f4 e5 13.f5 0-0 14.Rc1 Qd8 15.g4 h6 16.h4 Nh7 17.g5 hxg5 18.hxg5 Nxg5 19.Bc4 Symmetrical C5-N,N]
10.0-0 Be6!

(Diagram)

11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Rd8 13.Bf3



Hoping for Bc1-g5. Hoping for Bg5.

13...e4 0.52/21

[13...Be7= 0.07/21]

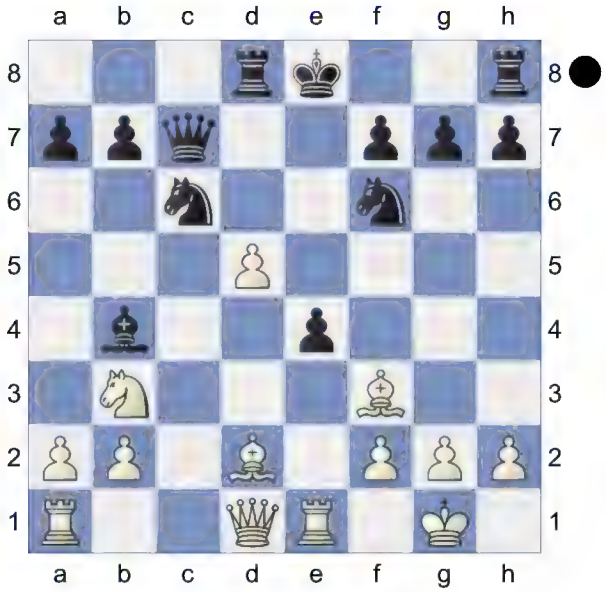
(Diagram)

14.Re1 -0.20/20

[14.Bxe4!± 0.52/21 Nxe4 15.Qf3 *(15.Qc2)* 15...Rxd5 16.Qxe4+ Re5 17.Qg4]

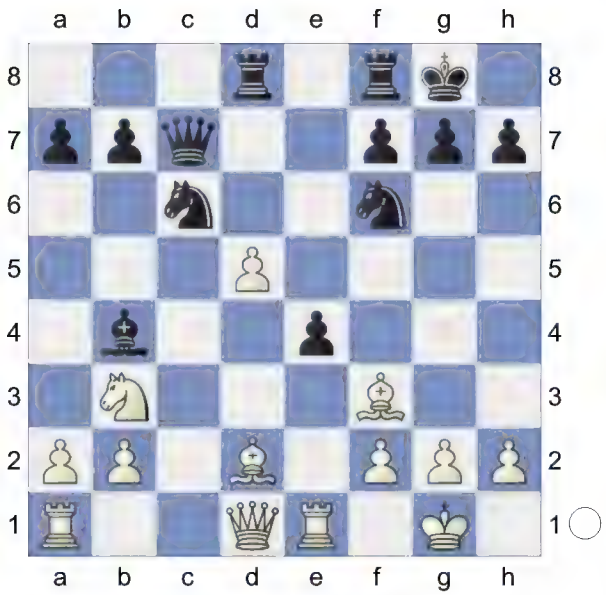
14...Bb4= 15.Bd2 -0.20/22

[⌓15.Rxe4+ 0.22/22 Nxe4 16.Bxe4]

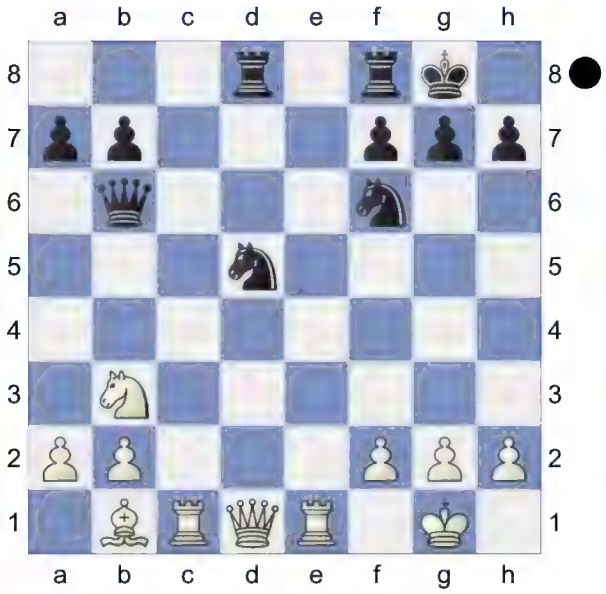


15...0-0!=

(Diagram)

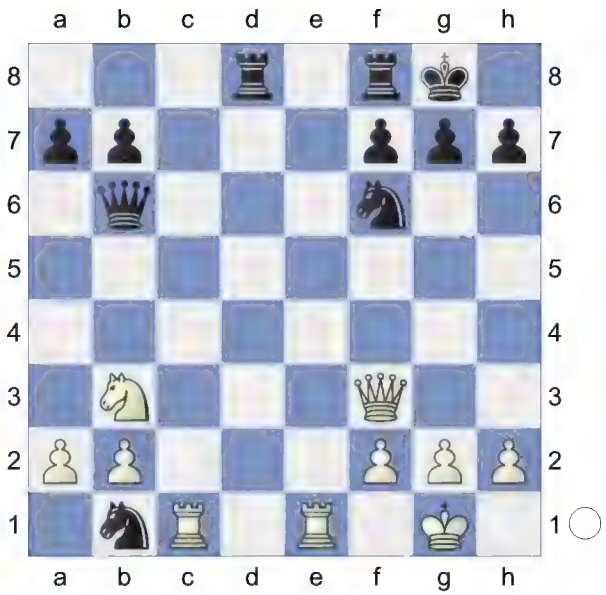


16.Bxb4
[16.Bxe4 Nxe4]
16...Nxb4 17.Bxe4 Nbxd5 18.Rc1 Qb6 And now ...Nc3! would win. **19.Bb1**



Nc3! Discovered Attack. A dynamic duo of knights. Pair of Knights! **20.Qf3**
[20.Qc2 Nxb1]
20...Nxb1

(Diagram)

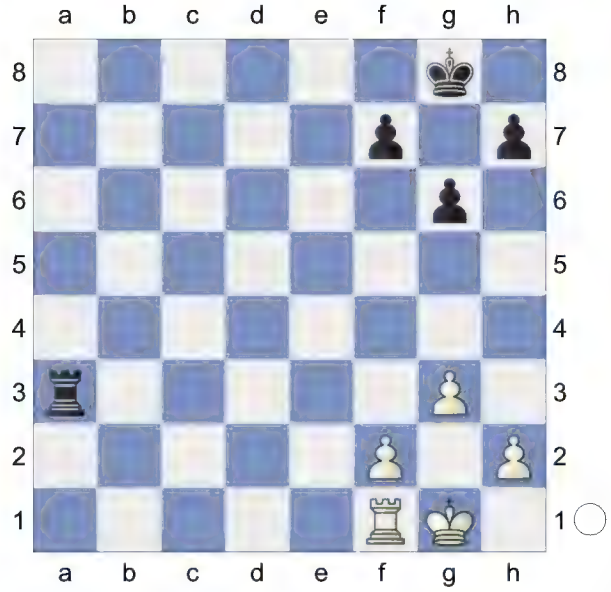


21.Rxb1 a5 22.Qe3
[22.Qc3 feels hotter. Rd5 23.Rbd1 Rfd8 24.Rxd5 Rxd5 25.Qc8+]
22...Qxe3 23.Rxe3 a4 and ...Nf6-d5! should not be overlooked **24.Nc5** The position is equal. **24...b5 25.Ne4** Against Rd8-d2 **25...Nxe4**

The position is equal. **26.Rxe4** Endgame KRR-KRR **26...Rd2 27.Rb4 Re8 28.Rxb5 g6 29.Rb4 Ree2 30.Rf1 Rxb2**

(Diagram)

31.Rxa4 Rxa2 32.Rxa2 Rxa2 33.g3 Ra3 34.Kg2 Ra2 35.Kg1 Ra3



Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless)
Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)
½-½

39 **D06**
□ **Molt7n** **2827**
■ **Machinegunusa** **2626**
Blitz 29.01.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
3.cxd5
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Qxd5N
[3...Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qh5 0.77/20
[5...Qa5± 0.35/19 6.Qxd4 e6]

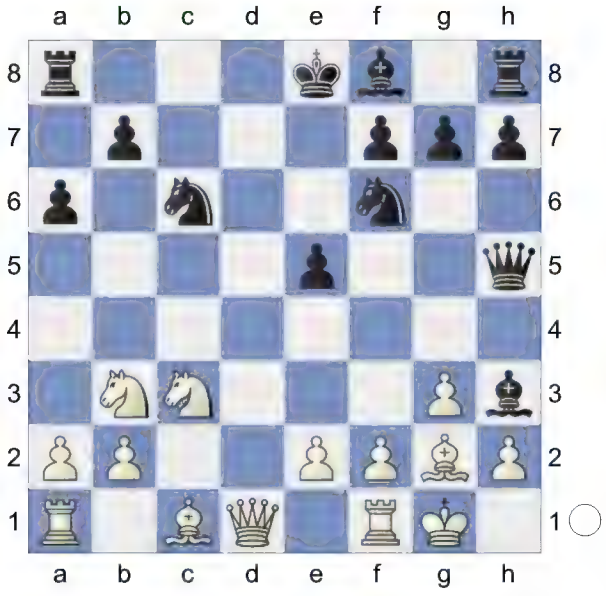
(Diagram)

6.Nxd4± Black must now prevent Ndb5.
6...a6 Prevents Ndb5. **7.g3** 0.41/20
[7.g4± 0.73/18 Qe5 8.Bg2]
7...Nf6± 8.Bg2 White is slightly better.
8...e5

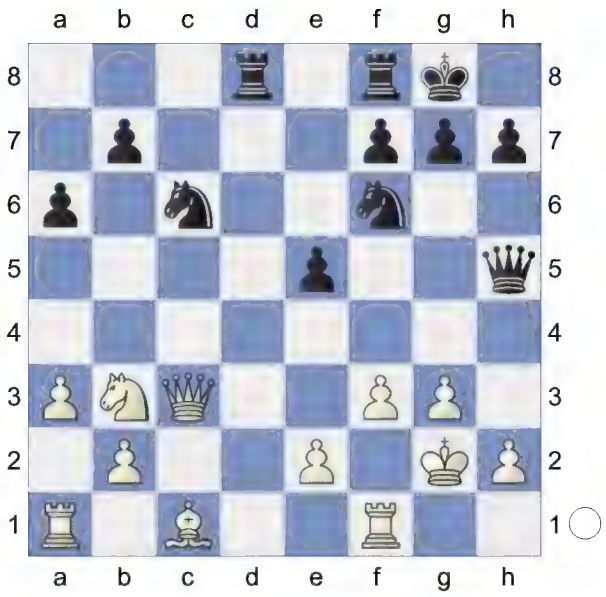
9.Nb3 0.01/18
[9.Bf3!± 0.41/21 Qh3 10.Qa4+ Qd7 11.Nb3]
9...Nc6 0.38/20
[9...Be7= 0.01/18 deserves consideration.]

(Diagram)

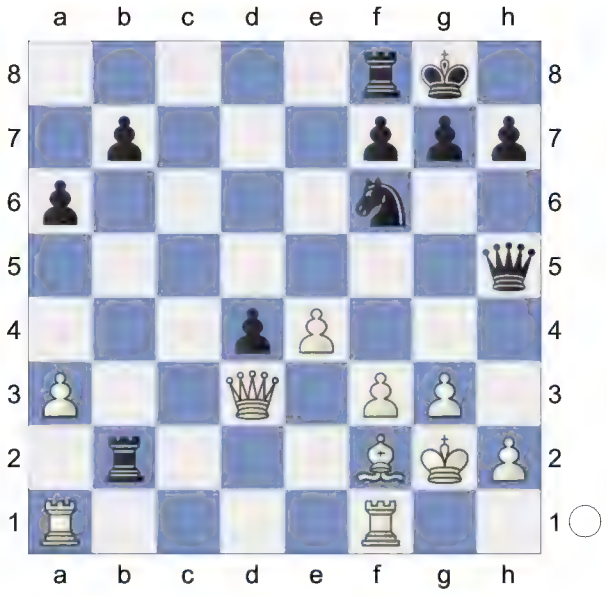
10.0-0 -0.12/19
[10.Na5!± 0.38/20 Nd4 *(10...Bh3 11.Bf3)* 11.0-0 *(11.Bxb7 Bxb7 12.Nxb7 Rb8∓; 11.Nxb7 Rb8=)*]
10...Bh3
[But not 10...Ng4 11.h3 Nf6 12.e4±]



11.f3 -0.39/18
[11.e4= 0.15/18 Bg4 12.f3]
11...Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Rd8 13.Qe1 Bb4 14.a3 Bxc3 15.Qxc3 0-0 0.01/20
[15...e4!∓ -0.42/21 is superior.]

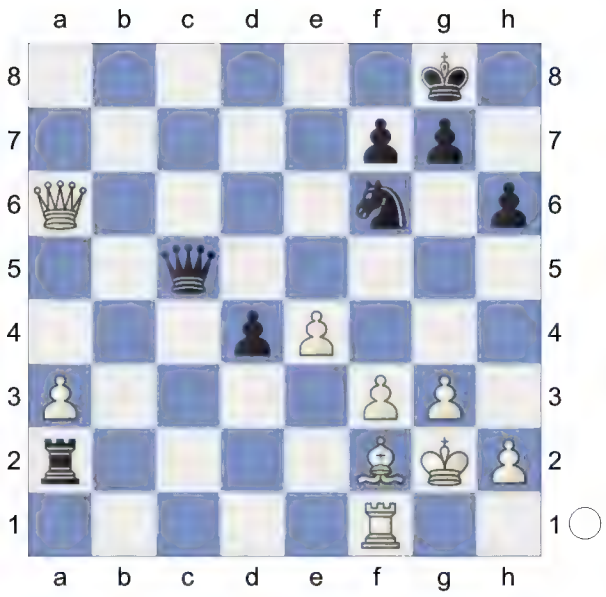


16.e4!= Rc8 17.Be3 Prevents Nd4.
17...Nd4 18.Qd3 Rc2+ 0.83/21
[18...Ne6= 0.23/18 remains equal.]
19.Bf2!± Rxb2 20.Nxd4 exd4

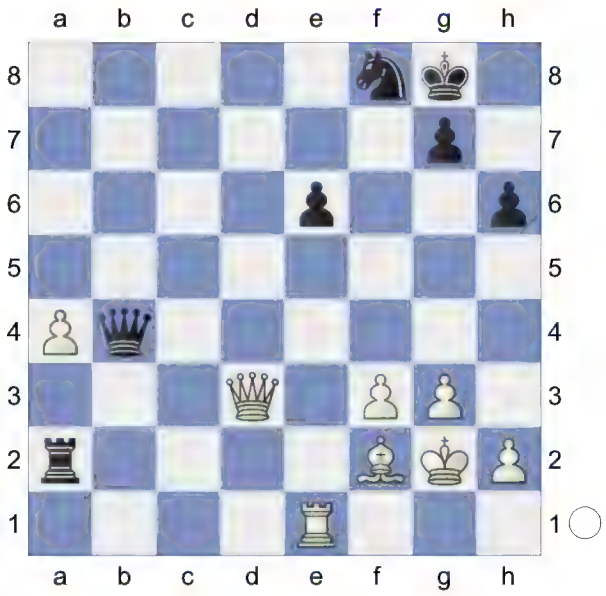


21.Rab1 Ra2 22.Rxb7 h6 0.95/19
[22...Qc5± 0.50/19]
23.Qxa6 Rc8 And now ...Rc3 would win.
24.Rb5 Rc5 25.Rxc5 0.19/20
[White should try 25.a4!± 0.87/21]
25...Qxc5=

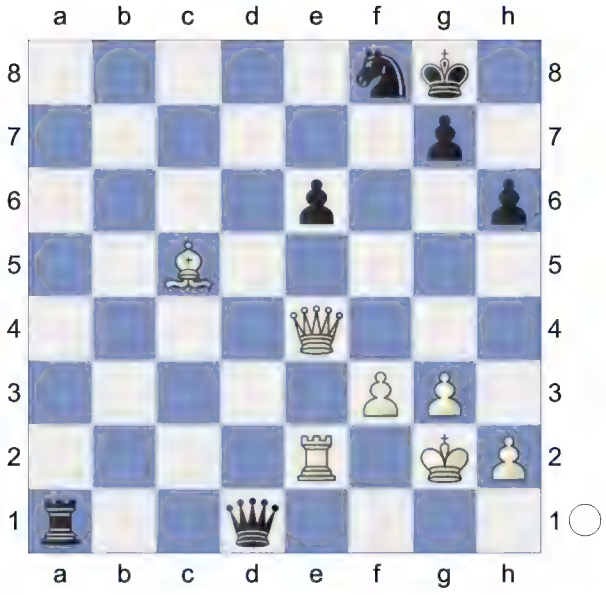
(Diagram)



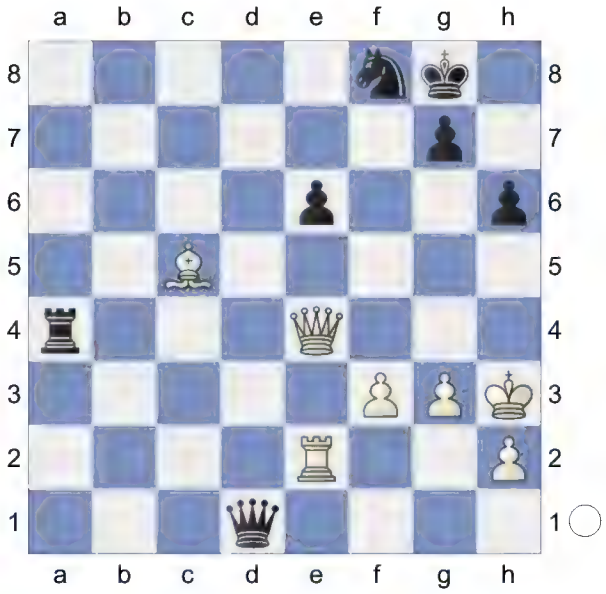
26.a4 d3 1.25/23
[26...Rb2± 0.42/19]
27.Qxd3± Qb4 1.99/21 Inhibits Qb3.
[27...Qc6± 1.26/20 was called for. 28.Rd1 Qxa4]
28.e5+- Nh7 29.e6 0.90/22
[29.Qd5!+- 2.22/23 is more deadly. Qxa4 30.e6]
29...fxe6± 30.Re1? -8.51/23 **Nf8?** 0.81/21
[30...Qxe1!-+ -8.51/23 31.Qf1 Qd2]



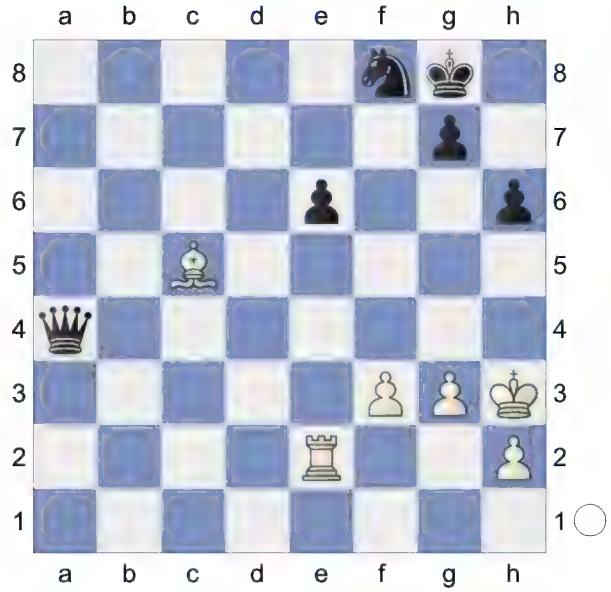
31.Re2 0.19/20
[31.Re4!± 0.81/21 Qb2 32.Qe3]
31...Rxa4 32.Qe3 Ra3 33.Qe5 Strongly threatening Bc5. **33...Qb3 34.Qe4 Qd1 35.Bc5 Ra1**



36.Kh3 -0.42/23
[36.Rf2= -0.01/21]
36...Ra4 0.16/22
[36...Qf1+∓ -0.42/23 37.Kh4 Ra4! 38.Qxa4 Qxe2 39.Bxf8 Qxh2+ 40.Kg4 h5+ 41.Kf4 Qd2+ 42.Ke5 Qd5+ 43.Kf4 Qd2+ 44.Ke5 Qd5+ 45.Kf4 g5+ 46.Ke3 Kxf8]



37.Qxa4?? -6.07/28 **Qxa4**



Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.62/Black=0.37

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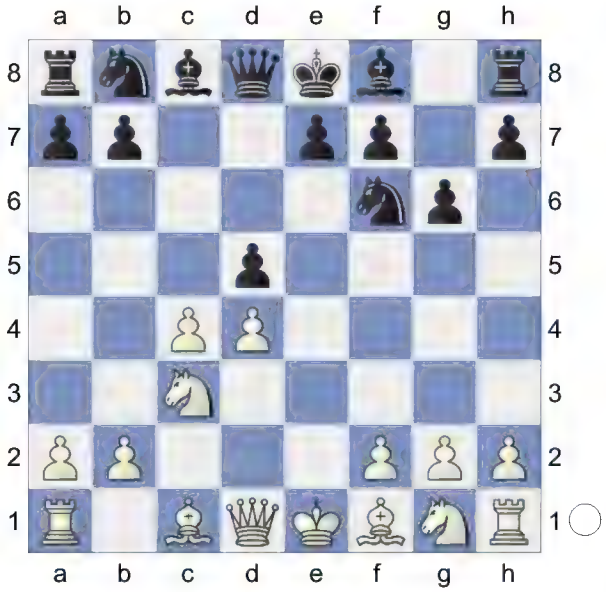
40 **B14**
□ **DarkFrontier** **2822**
■ **Zayats71** **2747**
Blitz 24.03.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
B14: Caro-Kann: Panov-Botvinnik Attack with 5...e6 and 5...g6 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3 cxd4 4.exd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.Nf3 Bg7 7.cxd5 0-0N
[7...Nxd5 8.Qb3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 0-0 10.Bf4 *(10.Be2 Nc6 11.0-0 b6* 5 13) 2.Nf3 c5 Sidelines-2. Nf3 c5 3.e3 d5 4.c4 cxd4*)* 10...Nc6 11.Be2 b6 12.0-0 Bb7 13.Rfe1 Rc8 14.Qb2 Na5 15.Nd2 Qd5 16.Bf1 Qf5 17.Bg3 e6 18.Rad1 Rfd8 19.Be5 Bh6 20.h3 Bxd2 21.Qxd2 Nc4 22.Bxc4 Kluegel,J (2500)-Nickel,A (2630) ICCF 2015 OM Corr 202003 [Bellmann,Herbert] ½-½]
8.Bc4 Nbd7 9.0-0 Nb6 10.Bb3 Nfxd5

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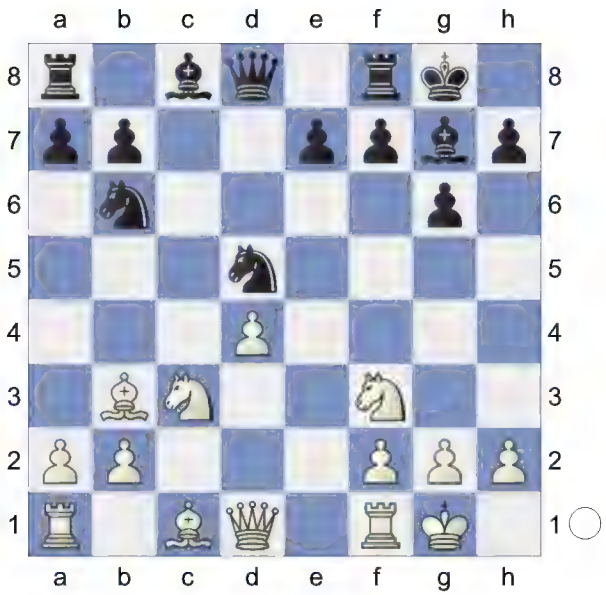
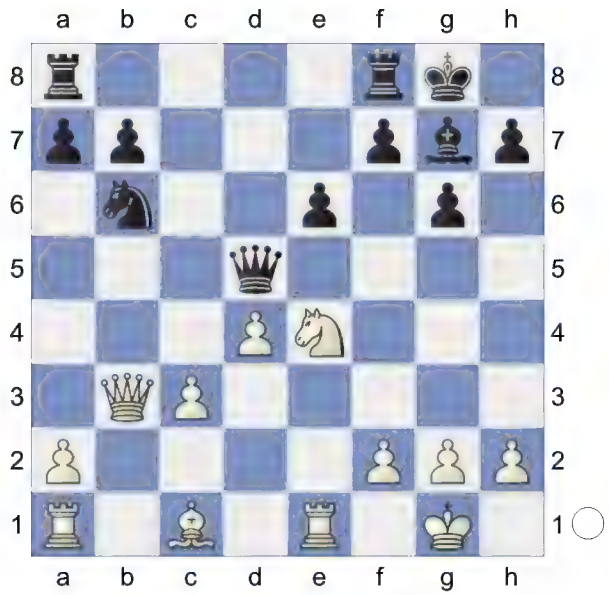


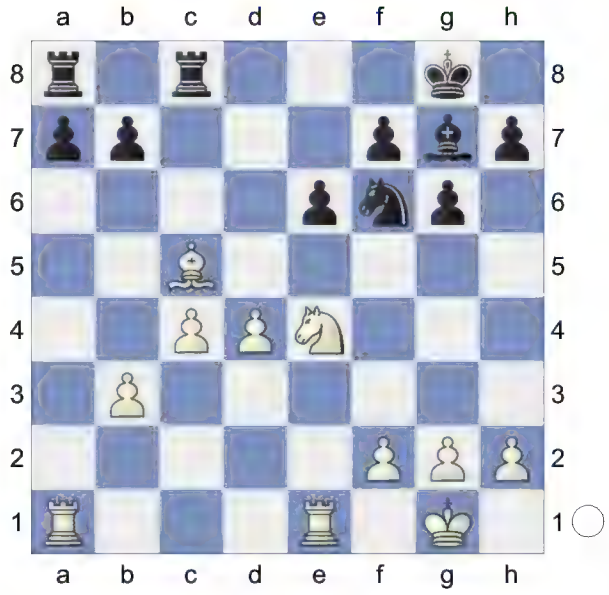
11.Re1 Be6

12.Ng5 0.16/20
[12.Rxe6!± 0.50/18 fxe6 13.Qe2]
12...Nxc3!= 13.bxc3 The position is equal. **13...Bxb3 14.Qxb3 e6 15.Ne4 Qd5**

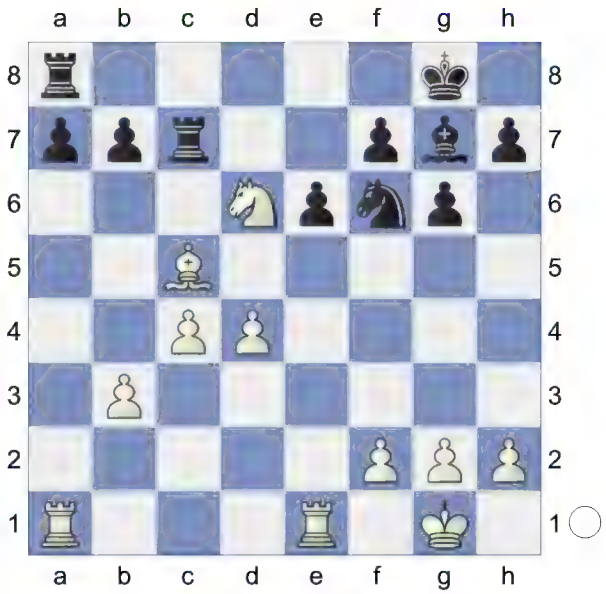
(Diagram)



16.Ba3 -0.22/19
[⌓16.h4 0.12/17]
16...Rfc8 17.Bc5 Qxb3 18.axb3 Nd5 Hoping for ...b6. **19.c4 Nf6** 1.19/22
[19...b6= 0.25/21 remains equal.]



20.Nd6 0.58/22
[Don't go for 20.Rxa7? Nxe4 21.Rxb7 *(21.Rxe4? Rxa7 22.Bxa7 Ra8-+)* 21...Nxc5 22.dxc5 Bd4-+]
[20.Nxf6+!± 1.19/22 Bxf6 21.Rxa7 *(21.Bxa7 Rc6±)*]
20...Rc7 1.40/20
[Better is 20...Rc6!± 0.58/22]



21.Nb5 &Bianco is much more active.
[Don't do 21.Bxa7 Nd7±]
21...Rd7 1.59/20
[Black should try 21...Rcc8 1.16/20]
22.Rxa7± Rxa7 23.Bxa7
[Don't take 23.Nxa7 b6 24.Bxb6 Rb7±]
23...Nh5 2.10/20
[23...h5± 1.60/19 24.Bb6 Ng4]
24.g3 Bf8 2.47/22
[⌓24...Nf6 1.90/20 25.Bb6 h5]
25.Bc5 Bxc5

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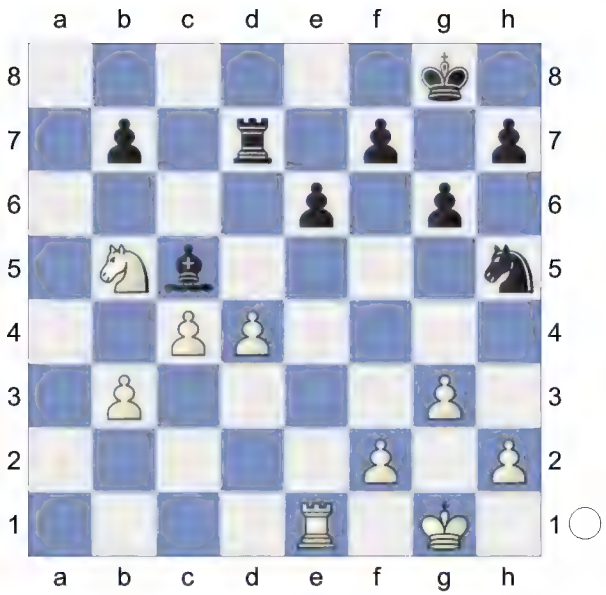
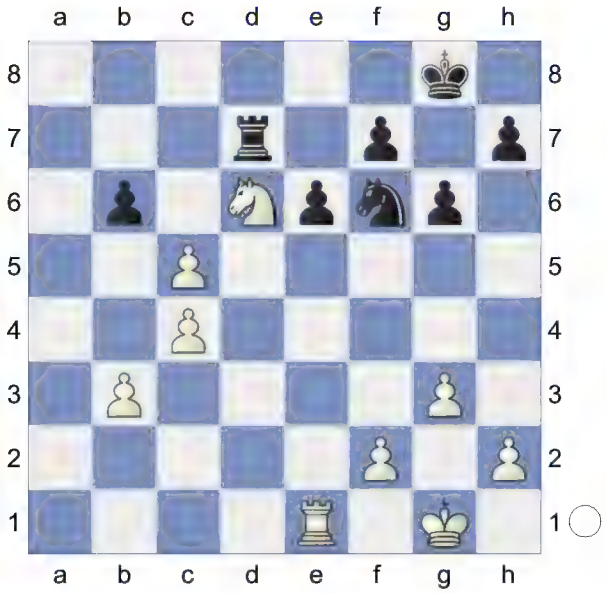


26.dxc5+- KRN-KRN **26...Nf6 27.Nd6** 1.08/22

[27.b4+- 2.29/21]

27...b6±

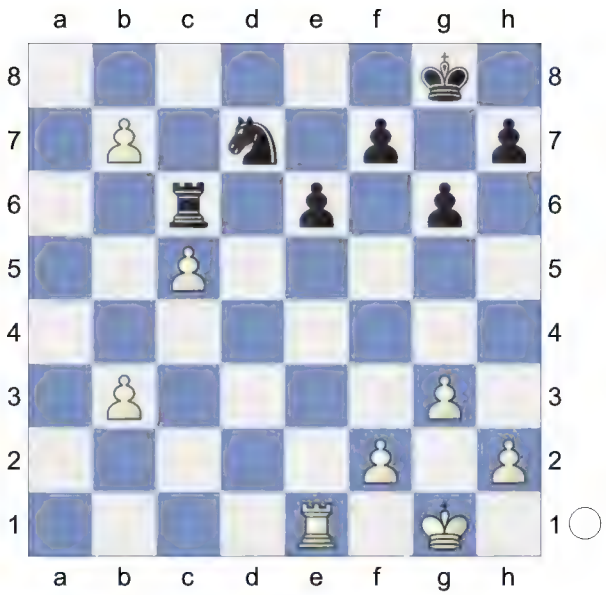


28.cxb6 Rxd6 29.c5 Rc6 10.25/22

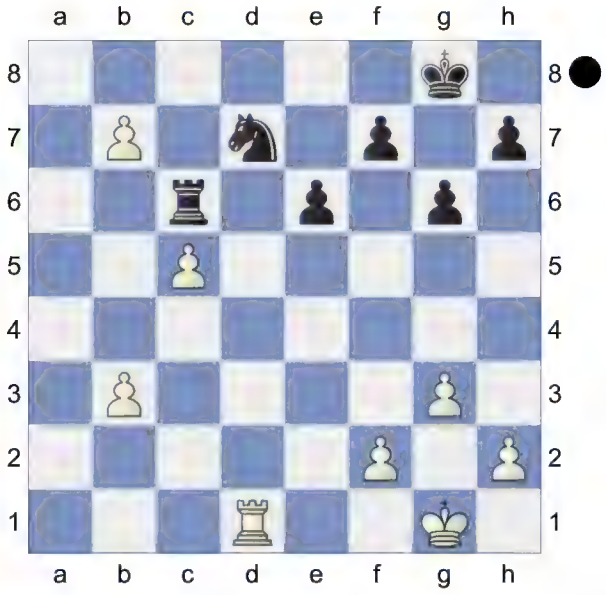
[29...Rd3± 1.05/23]

30.b7+- Nd7

(Diagram)



31.Rd1



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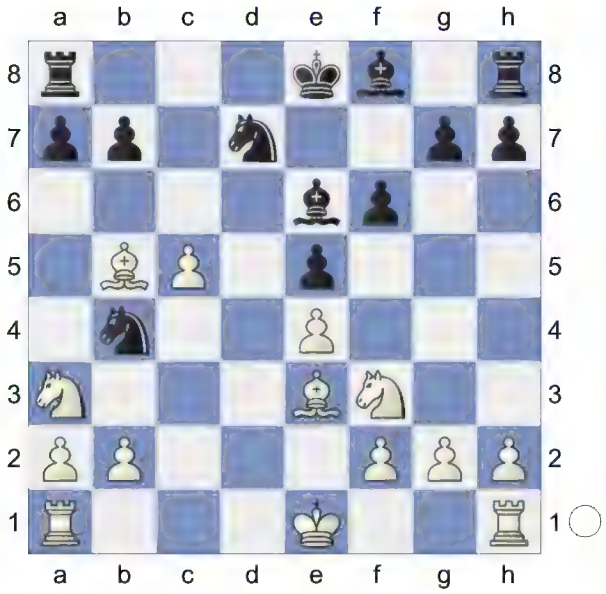
41 **D06**
□ **Anda_Cawwer** **2816**
■ **Zayats71** **2757**
Blitz 07.08.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5

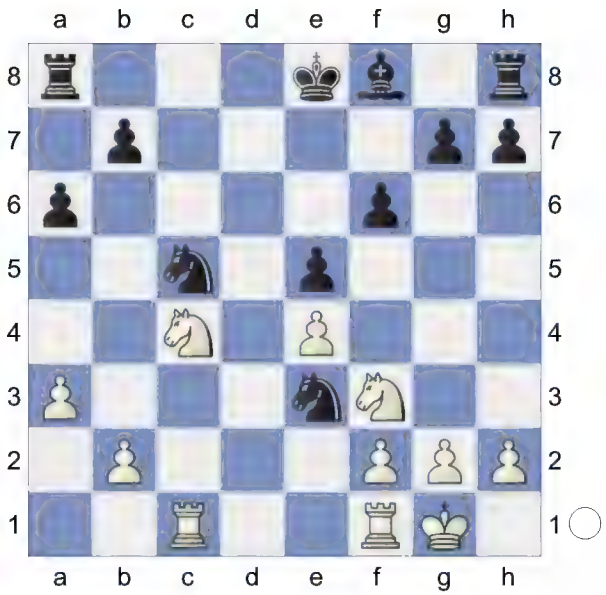
(Diagram)

6.e4 Nb4 And now ...Nc2+ would win. **7.Na3** Prevents Nc2+. **7...e5 8.Be3** White is slightly better. **8...Be6 9.Nf3 f6 10.Bb5+ Nd7**

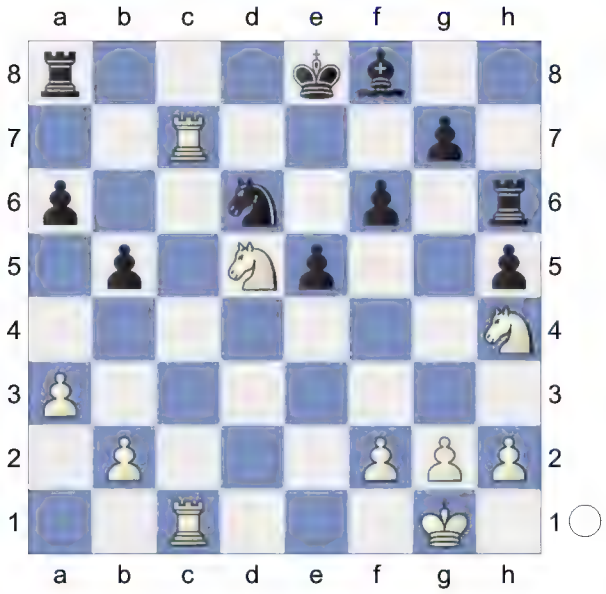


11.0-0
[11.Ke2 with more complications. a6 12.Bxd7+ Kxd7 13.Rhc1]
11...a6! 12.Bc4 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Nxc5 14.a3 Nc2 15.Rac1 -0.11/21
[15.Bxc5± 0.41/22 Bxc5 16.Rac1]
15...Nxe3=

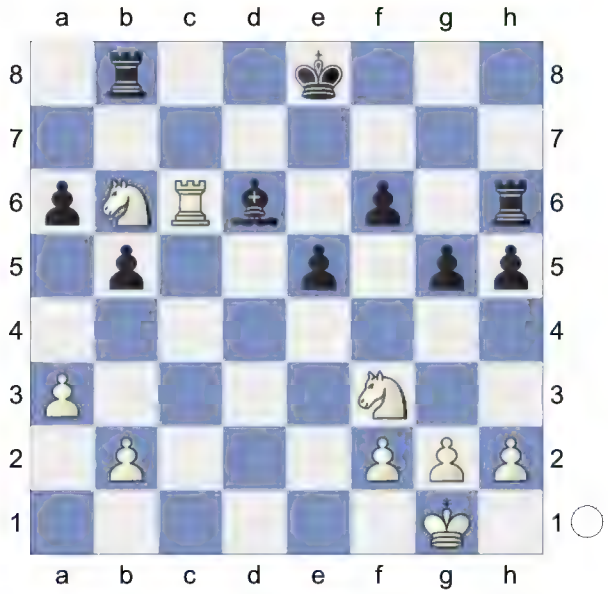
(Diagram)



16.Nxe3 Nxe4 17.Rc7 b5 18.Rfc1 White has compensation. **18...Nd6** 0.73/20
[18...g6= -0.01/17]
19.Nd5 0.07/20
[19.R1c6± 0.73/20]
19...h5 0.98/19
[19...Nf7!= 0.07/20]
20.Nh4 0.57/20
[20.R1c6± 0.98/19]
20...Rh6±

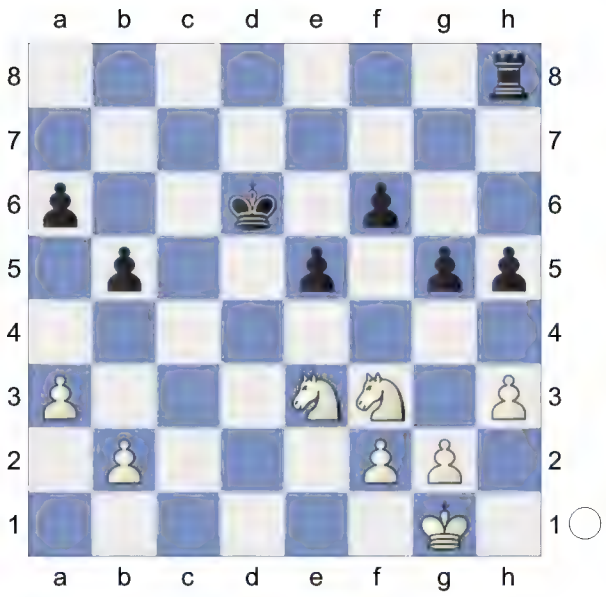


21.R1c6 0.44/20
[21.Ne3± 0.81/18]
21...g5 1.00/22
[Black should play 21...f5± 0.44/20]
22.Nf3± Kd8 1.20/21
[⌓22...Rd8 0.88/20]
23.Nb6 0x0.001b78ca5d7cdp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. Pair of Knights! **23...Rb8**
24.Rd7+ Ke8 25.Rdxd6
[25.Ra7 is interesting. g4 26.Nh4 f5 27.Rxa6 Be7]
25...Bxd6

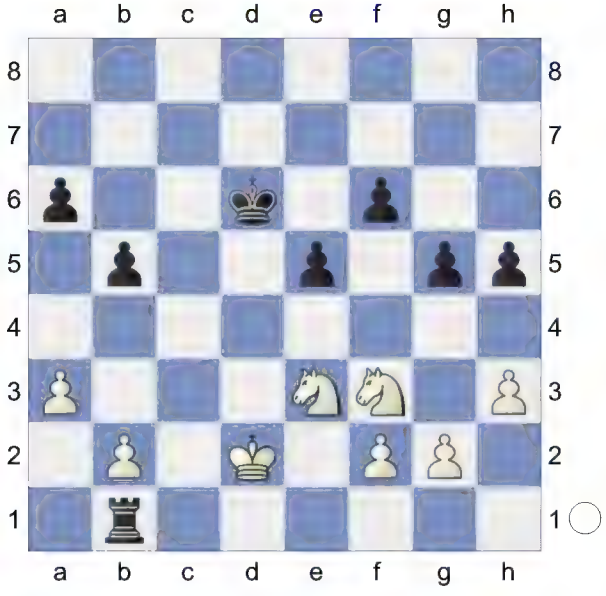


26.Rxd6 Rd8! 27.Rxd8+ Kxd8 28.Nd5 Kd7 29.h3 Kd6 0.62/24
[29...f5= 0.27/21]
30.Ne3± Nf5+ is the strong threat.
30...Rh8

(Diagram)

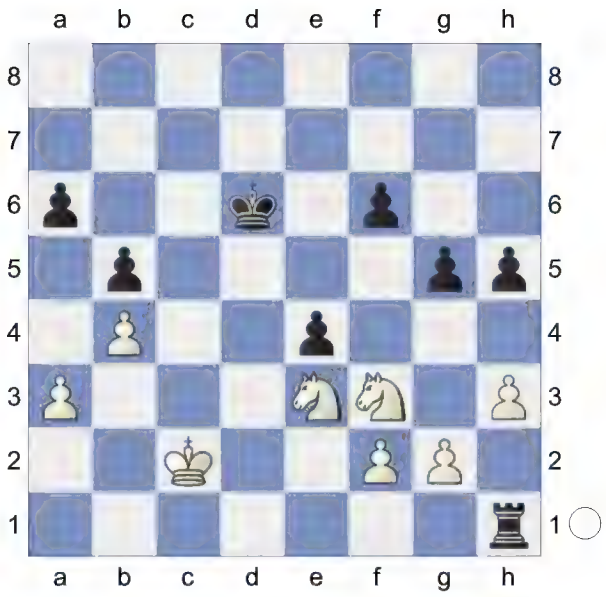


31.Kf1 0.01/23
[31.Nd2± 0.58/21]
31...Rc8
[31...e4!? 32.Nd4 h4=]
32.Ke2 Rc1 33.Kd2 Rb1 1.12/24
[33...Rh1= 0.01/22]

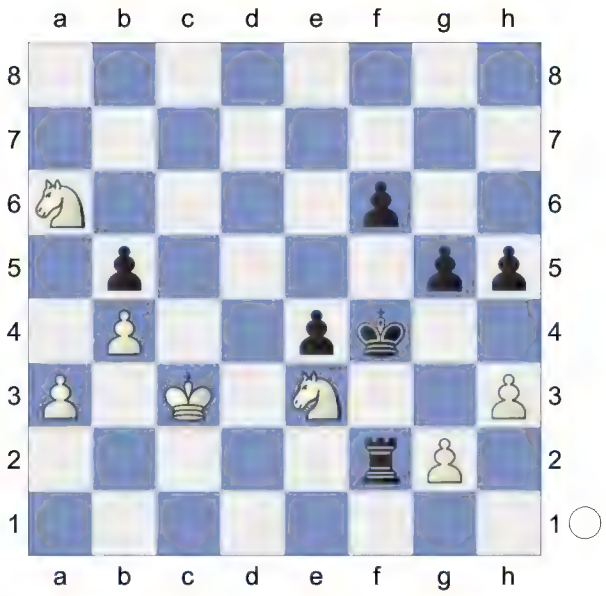


34.Kc2 0.62/24
[Better is 34.Nd1!± 1.12/24]
34...Rh1 35.b4 e4

(Diagram)



36.Nd4 Ke5 37.Nc6+ Kf4 38.Nb8 -1.00/22
[38.Ne7= 0.01/22 keeps the balance. Ke5 39.Nc6+ Kd6 40.Nd4]
38...Re1 0.01/22
[38...Ra1∓ -1.00/22 Strongly threatening ...Ra2+. 39.Nd5+ *(39.Kb2 Re1∓)* 39...Ke5]
39.Nxa6? -3.34/20
[39.Kd2!= 0.01/22 and White stays safe. Ra1 40.Nc2]
39...Re2+-+ 40.Kc3 Rxf2



41.Nd5+ Ke5 42.Ndc7 -7.33/22

[42.Nb6 -3.91/19 Rxg2 43.Nd7+ Kf4 44.Nac5]

42...Rxg2 Hoping for ...h4. **43.Nxb5 Rg3+?** -2.04/19

[43...g4 -7.89/21 44.hxg4 h4]

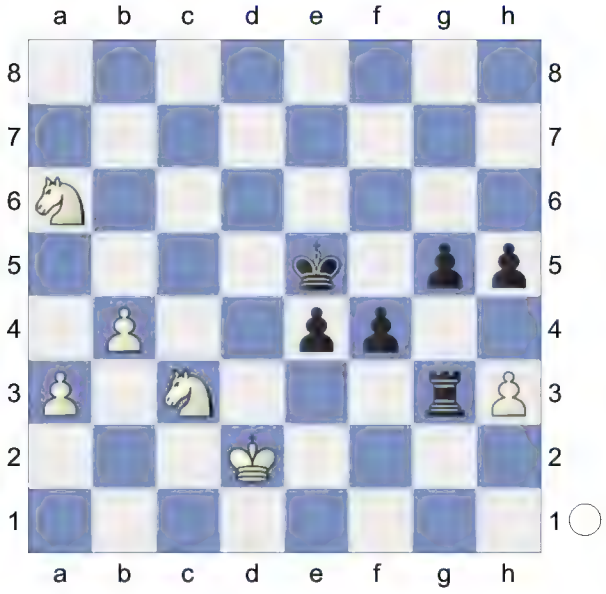
44.Kd2? -6.27/19

[44.Kc4 -2.04/19]

44...f5 45.Nc3? -7.16/21

[45.Nb8 -3.63/17]

45...f4



46.b5 Rg2+ 47.Ke1 f3 (→ ...e3)

[47...Rg3 48.b6 Re3+ 49.Kf2 Rf3+ 50.Kg2 Rg3+ 51.Kh2+-]

48.b6 e3 49.Kf1 Rf2+ -12.00/19

[⌓49...Rc2 -#9/21 50.Ne2 Ra2 51.Nc1 Ra1 52.Kg1 Rxc1+ 53.Kh2 e2 54.b7

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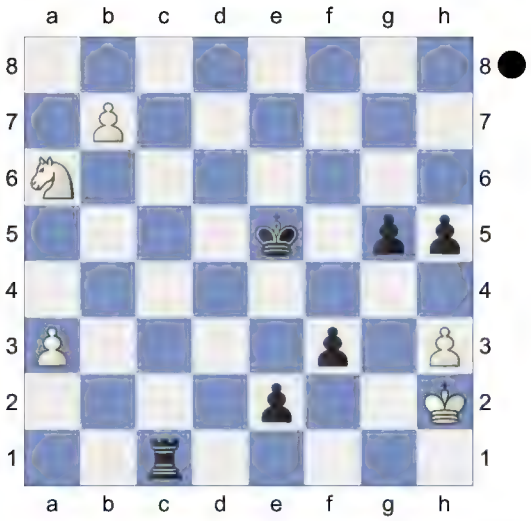
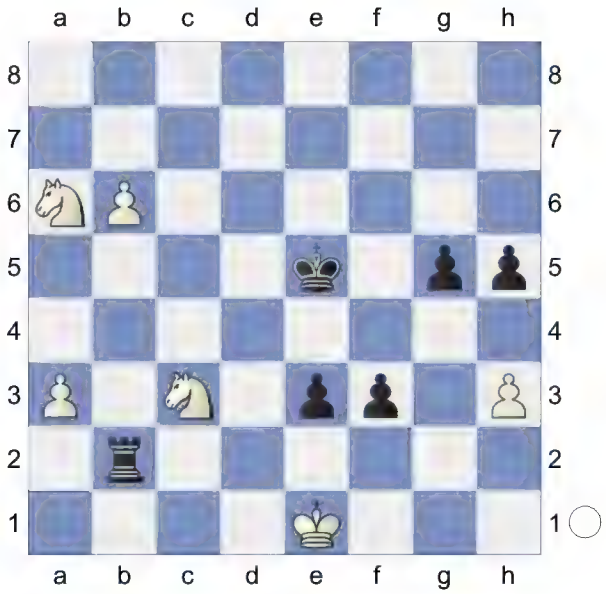


Rh1+!! 55.Kg3 e1Q+ 56.Kxf3 Rf1+ 57.Kg2 Qf2#]

50.Ke1 Rb2 -7.63/21

[⌓50...Rh2 -#12/18 51.Kd1 f2 52.Ke2 Rh1 53.Kxe3 f1Q 54.Nb4 Rxh3+ 55.Kd2 Rh2+ 56.Ne2 Qxe2+ 57.Kc3 Rh3+ 58.Nd3+ Qxd3+ 59.Kb4 Qd5 60.b7 Rb3+ 61.Ka4 Qb5#]



51.Nb4 Kd6? -1.18/20

[51...Rh2-+ -14.09/23 has better winning chances. 52.Kd1 Kd4]

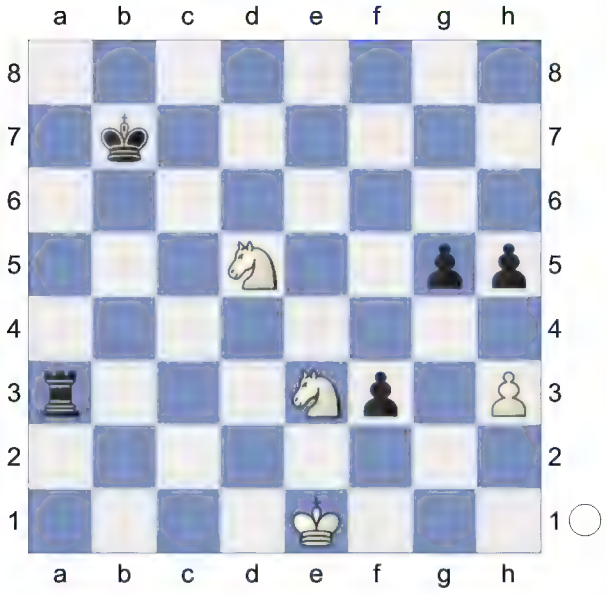
52.b7∓ Kc7 53.Nbd5+ Kxb7 54.Nxe3 Rb3 -0.01/24

[54...Rh2∓ -1.09/23 55.Kf1 Rxh3]

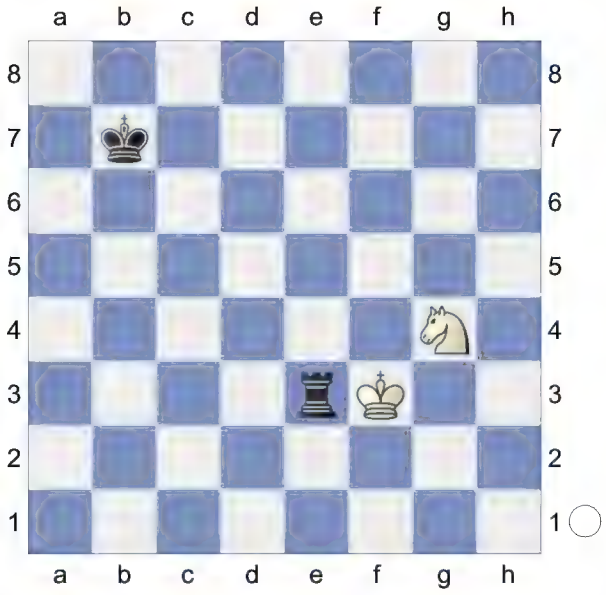
55.Ncd5 -0.40/26

[55.Ned1= -0.01/24 feels stronger.]

55...Rxa3



56.Kf2 g4 57.hxg4 hxg4 58.Nxg4 Ra2+ 59.Kxf3 Ra3+ 60.Nde3 Rxe3+



61.Kf4 -0.39/31

[61.Nxe3= 0.00/63 deserves consideration. Kc8]

61...Re4+ 0.00/94 **62.Kxe4**

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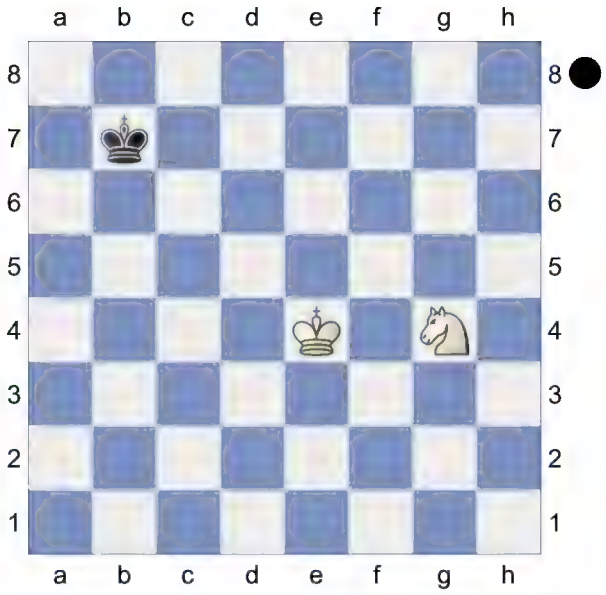

And White is the lucky defender.
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42 **D06**
□ **Agent_000** **2816**
■ **vistagusta** **2772**
Blitz 08.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4 Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+**

6.Nd2 0.02/20
[6.Bd2± 0.78/21 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxd2+ *(7...Qxc5 8.Na3± Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4* 37) 2...c5-2...c5 with 3... Nf6 #2 Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023*)* 8.Nxd2 g6 9.b4 Bg7 10.Rc1 0-0 11.Ngf3 Nd7 12.Ne4 f5 13.Neg5 Bb2 14.Rb1 Bc3+ 15.Kd1 a5 16.a3 axb4 17.axb4 Ra4 18.Bb5 Ra3 19.Kc2 Bf6 20.Ne6 Ra2+ 21.Kb3 Rxf2 22.Nxf8 Kxf8 23.Ra1 1-0 Steingrimsson,H (2532)-Breutigam,M (2391) GER CupT Germany 2010 (1)]
6...e6=

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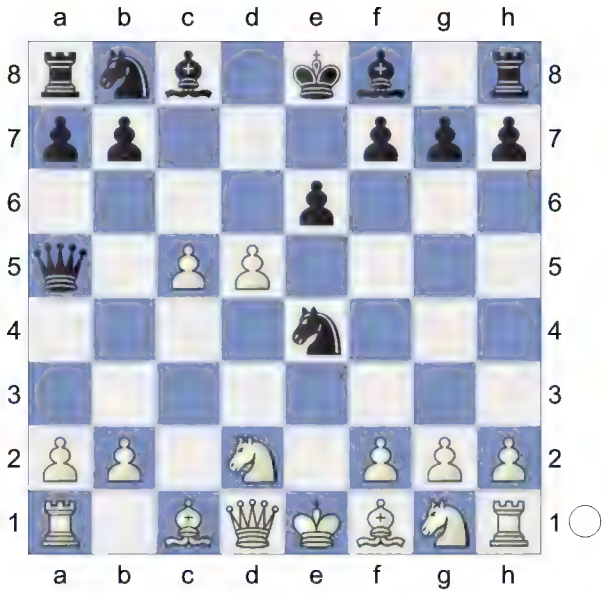


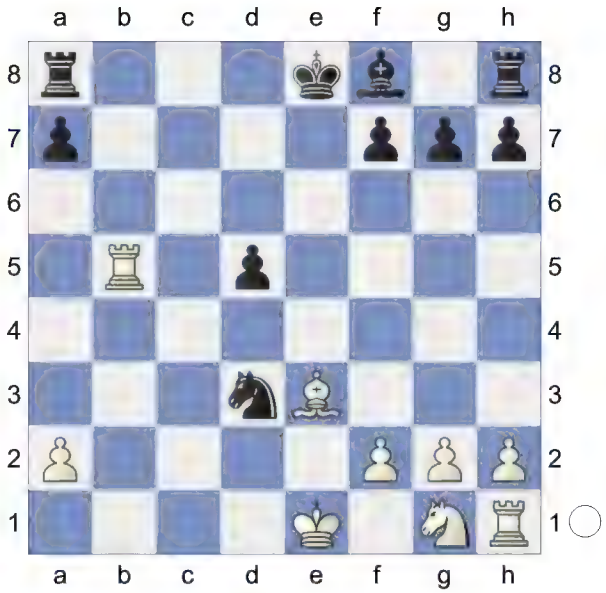
7.b4N -0.71/20
[7.dxe6 Bxe6 8.Qe2 Nxc5 9.Qb5+ Qxb5 10.Bxb5+ Bd7 11.Bc4 b5 12.Be2 Bc6 13.Ngf3 a6 14.0-0 Bd6 15.Nd4 0-0 16.Nxc6 Nxc6 17.Bf3 Rac8 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Rfe8 20.Bf5 Rcd8 21.Be3 g6 2 Chapter-Games Chapter 16 Game]
7...Qxb4∓ 8.Rb1

Black is better. **8...Qd4** Black is much more active. **9.Nxe4** -1.21/21
[⌓9.Bb5+ -0.85/19 Bd7 10.Qf3 Nxc5 11.dxe6 fxe6 12.Bc4]

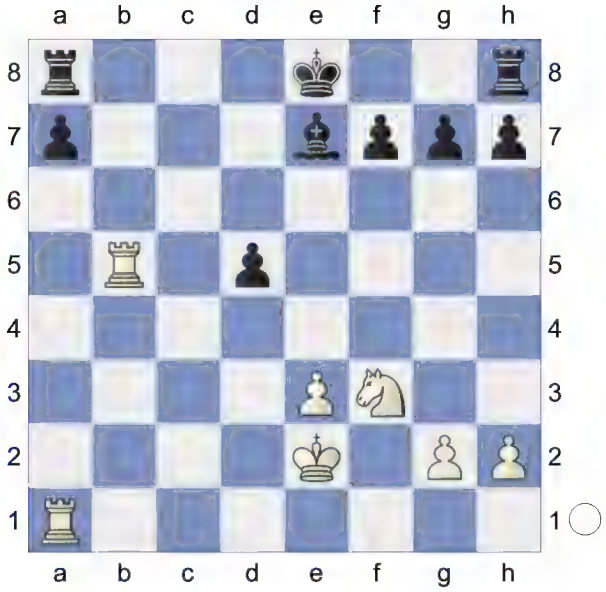
9...Qxe4+ 10.Be3 and d5-d6 should not be overlooked **10...Qxd5** -0.29/20
[10...Bxc5∓ -1.09/21 11.Bd3 Qxg2 *(11...Qxd5? 12.Bb5+ Bd7 13.Qxd5+-* Remove Defender*)* 12.Bxc5 Nd7 *(12...Qxh1 13.Qg4∓)*]

11.Bb5+ Bd7 12.Bxd7+ -1.00/20
[12.Qxd5= -0.01/21 was the only way to keep the balance. exd5 13.Ne2]
12...Nxd7 13.Qxd5 exd5 14.Rxb7 Nxc5 15.Rb5 Nd3+ 0.36/19
[Black should try 15...a6= -0.30/20 16.Rxc5 Bxc5 17.Bxc5 Rb8]

(Diagram)



16.Ke2± Nb4 17.a3 -0.14/19
[17.Nf3± 0.55/20]
17...Nc2 18.Nf3 Nxe3
[18...Nxa3 19.Rxd5 Rc8 20.Bxa7=]
19.fxe3 Bxa3 20.Ra1 Be7



21.Rb7 -1.09/22
[White should play 21.Rba5∓ -0.38/22]
21...a5∓ 22.Nd4 Bf6 23.Rb5 a4 24.Rxd5 -2.67/22
[24.Rb4∓ -1.44/22]
24...0-0-+ 25.Ra2 Rfc8

(Diagram)

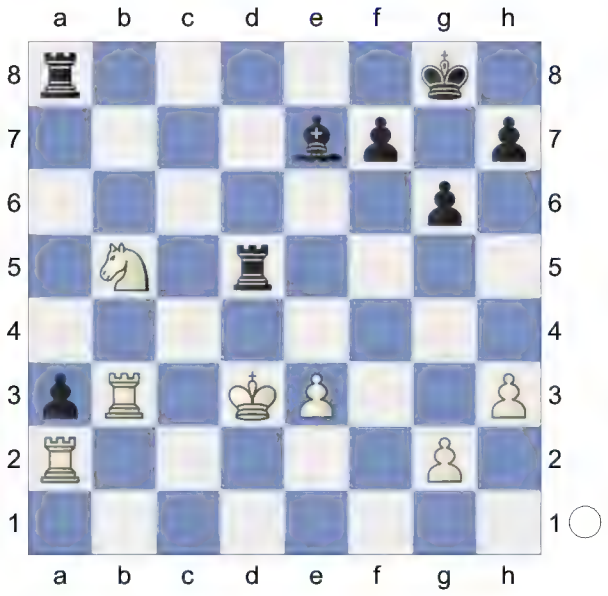
26.Rb5 a3 27.Kd3 g6 28.Rb3 Be7 29.h3 Rc5? 0.00/22

[29...Rc1-+ -2.86/22 and ...h7-h5 should not be overlooked 30.Ke2 Bf8]

30.Nb5? -2.84/22

[30.Rbxa3= 0.00/22 Rxa3+ 31.Rxa3]

30...Rd5+

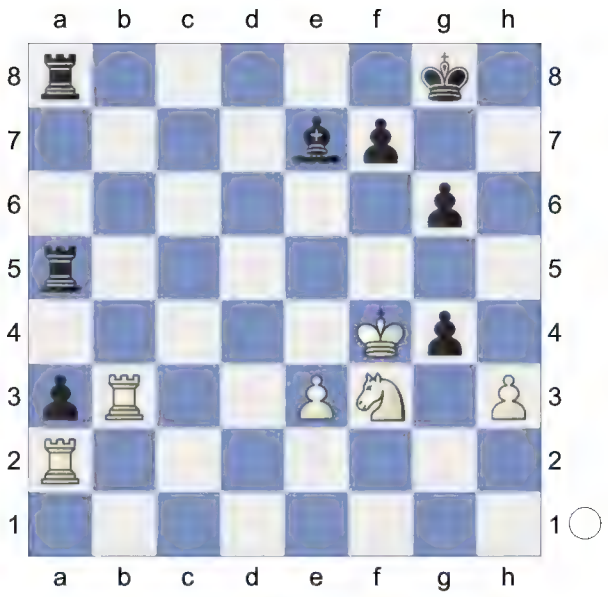


31.Nd4 Rg5 32.g4 h5 33.Nf3 Rd5+ 34.Ke4 Rda5 35.Kf4 -4.21/24

[35.Nd4 -2.70/21]

35...hxg4

(Diagram)



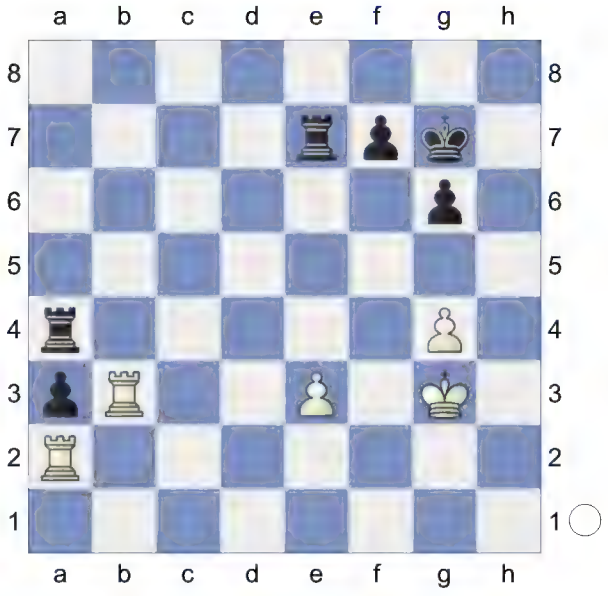
36.hxg4 Ra4+ 37.Kg3 -4.47/23

[37.Nd4 -3.08/22 is a better defense.]

37...Kg7 38.Nd4 R8a7 39.Nc6 Rc7 -0.11/21

[39...Bd6+-+ -3.49/25 40.Kf3 R7a6]

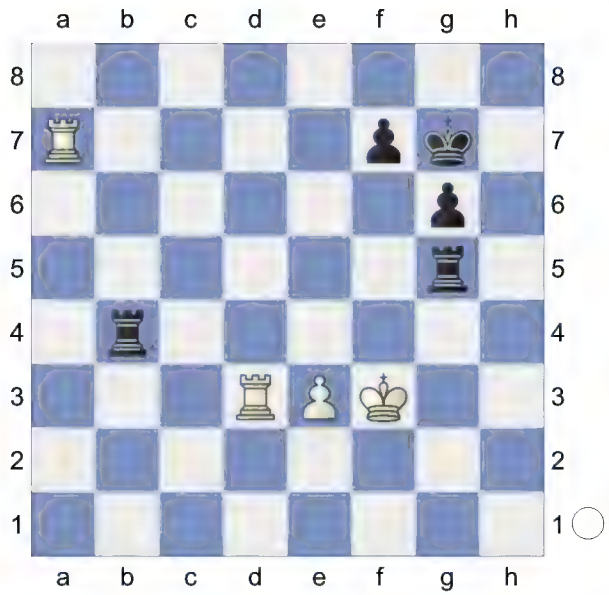
40.Nxe7= Rxe7



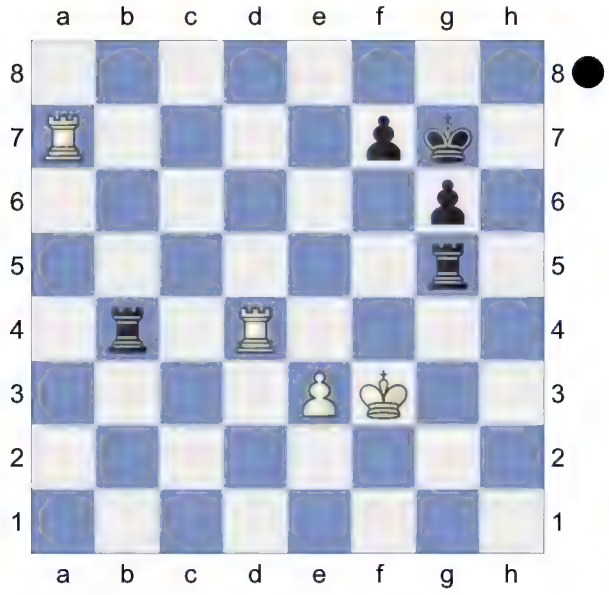
41.Raxa3 Endgame KRR-KRR **41...Rc4 42.Rc3 Rb4 43.Rd3 Ree4 44.Kf3** -0.70/24

[44.Rd4= -0.10/29]

44...Rxg4∓ 45.Ra7 Black continues to play with concentration. **45...Rg5**



46.Rd4

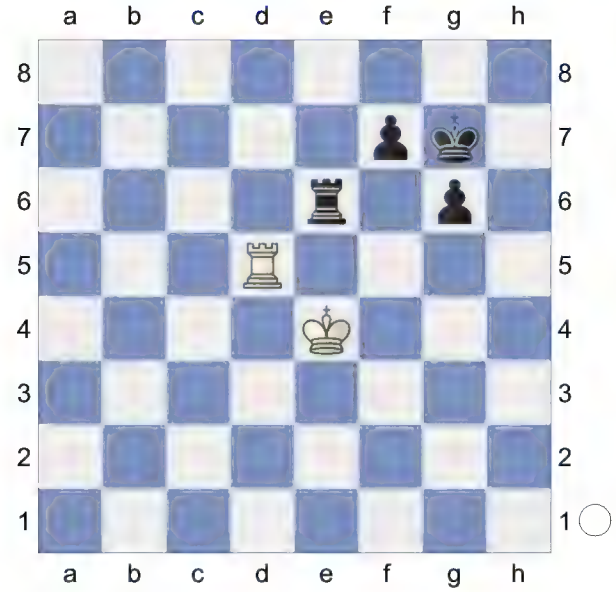


Rf5+ -0.60/23
[46...Rxd4!∓ -0.98/25 47.exd4 Rg1]
47.Ke4 -1.87/21
[47.Rf4∓ -0.60/23]
47...Rb6-+ 48.Rd5? -5.68/21
[48.Kd3 -1.75/20 is a better chance.]
48...Re6+ 49.Kd4 Rxd5+ Deflection
50.Kxd5 Rxe3

(Diagram)

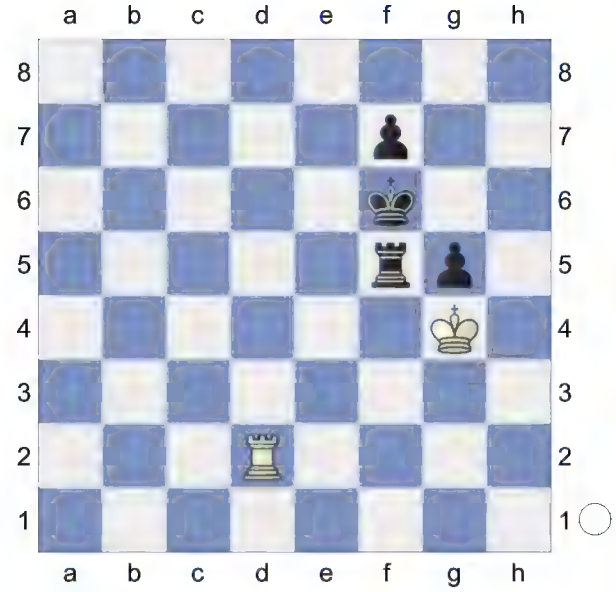
KR-KR. Black is two pawns up. **51.Ra3**
Re6 -8.86/28
[⌓51...Rxa3 -#13/21 52.Ke5 f5 53.Kd6 f4 54.Kd5 f3 55.Kc5 f2 56.Kb4 Rd3 *(56...f1R 57.Kxa3 Rb1 58.Ka2 Rb7 59.Ka3 g5 60.Ka4 g4 61.Ka5 g3 62.Ka6 Rb2 63.Ka7 g2 64.Ka6 g1Q 65.Ka5 Qa7#)* 57.Kb5 f1Q *(57...f1B 58.Kc5 g5 59.Kc6 g4 60.Kc5 g3 61.Kc6 g2 62.Kb7 g1Q 63.Kc8 Qc5+ 64.Kb8 Rb3+ 65.Ka8 Bg2#)* 58.Kc4 Rd2+ 59.Kb4 Qc1 *(59...g5 60.Kb3 Qc1 61.Ka4 Qb1 62.Ka5 Ra2#)* 60.Kb5 Rb2+ 61.Ka6 Qa1#]
52.Kd4 Rf6 53.Ke4= 0.01/29 **Rf5**
54.Ra5
[54.Rh3]
54...Rf6 0.01/29
[54...Rxa5 -#12/24 mates 55.Kd3 Rd5+ 56.Ke4 Rd6 57.Ke3 Re6+ 58.Kd3 g5 59.Kd4 g4 60.Kd3 g3 61.Kc4 g2 62.Kd3 g1Q *(62...g1R 63.Kd4 Rd1+ 64.Kc5 Re8 65.Kc4 Rc8+ 66.Kb3 Rb1+ 67.Ka2 Rcb8 68.Ka3 Ra8#)* 63.Kc4 Qg4+ 64.Kc5 Qe4 65.Kb5 Rc6 66.Ka5 Qb1 67.Ka4 Ra6#]

55.Rd5? -7.23/29 **Re6+**



56.Kf4 Kf6 57.Kg4 Re5 58.Rd2 Rg5+ 59.Kf4 Rf5+ 60.Kg4 g5 -2.61/26

[⌓60...Kg7 -6.10/27 61.Rb2 Rf1]



61.Ra2? -8.54/34

[61.Rd6+ -2.61/26 Ke7 62.Ra6]

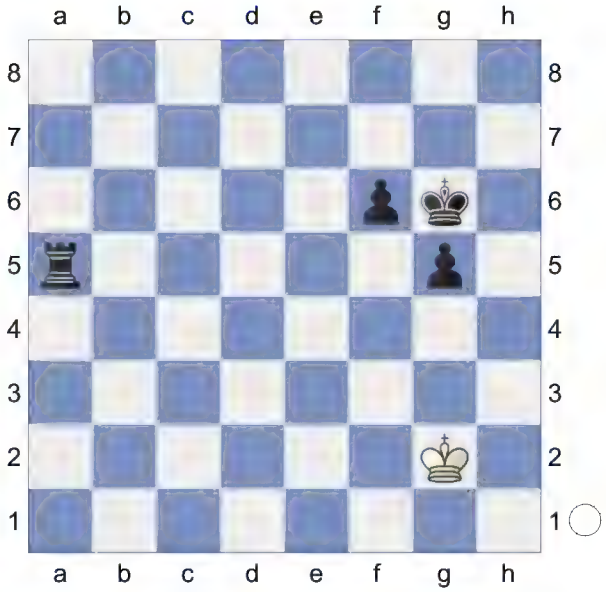
61...Kg6 62.Ra6+ f6 63.Ra5 Rf4+ -5.27/28

[⌓63...Rxa5 -#10/22 64.Kf3 Rf5+ 65.Kg4 Rf4+ 66.Kh3 Kh5 67.Kg3 f5 68.Kh2 Kh4 69.Kg2 Kg4 70.Kh1 Kg3 71.Kg1 Rf2 72.Kh1 Rf1#]

64.Kg3 Rf5? 0.01/23

[64...f5-+ -4.98/26 65.Ra6+ Kh5]

65.Kg2? -#10/22 **Rxa5**



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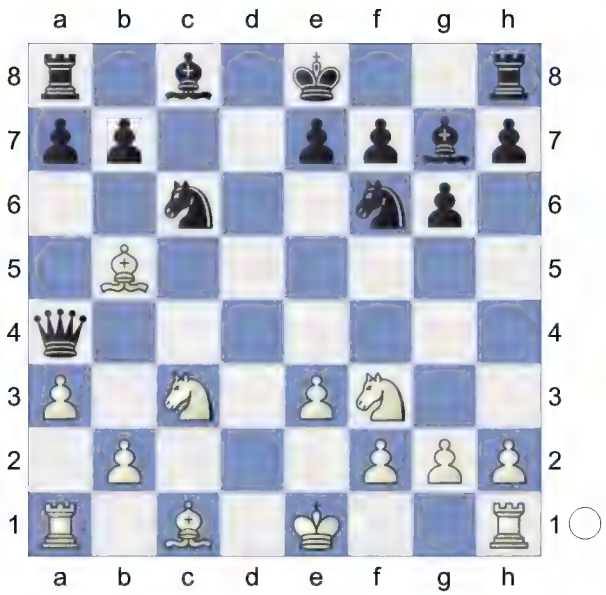
43 **D06**
□ **shuriks91** **2814**
■ **Zayats71** **2688**
Blitz 05.04.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.a3N**
[3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
[3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 *(5.Nxd5 Nxd5 6.cxd5 Qxd5 7.Qxd4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 a6 9.g3 e5 10.Nb3 Bd7 11.Bg2 Bb4+ 12.Kf1 Bc6 13.Be3 a5 14.Rd1 Nd7 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Kg2 a4 17.Nd2 0-0-0 18.Nc4 f6 19.Rd3 Nb8* Classical Ne4 (2465)-Lin,Z (2492) Rio de Janeiro 2005 CBM 003 [Gomez Fontal, F] 1-0 (55)*)* 5...e5 6.Nf3 d4 7.Nxe5 dxc3 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 9.Nxf7+ Ke8 10.Nxh8 Bb4 11.b3 Bf5 12.f3 Nc6 13.e4 Be6 14.Be3 Ke7 15.a3 Bd6 16.Bd3 Rxh8 17.Ke2 Rd8 Chaury,F (2183)-Konson,K (2251) Baden 2003 0-1 (46)]
3...Nf6 4.e3 cxd4 5.cxd5 g6 -0.08/17
[But not 5...Qxd5 6.exd4 Nc6 7.Nf3=]
[5...dxe3∓ -0.56/19 6.Bxe3 Nxd5]

6.Qxd4 Qxd5 7.Nf3 Nc6 8.Qa4 The position is equal. **8...Bg7 9.Nc3 Qa5 10.Bb5 Qxa4**

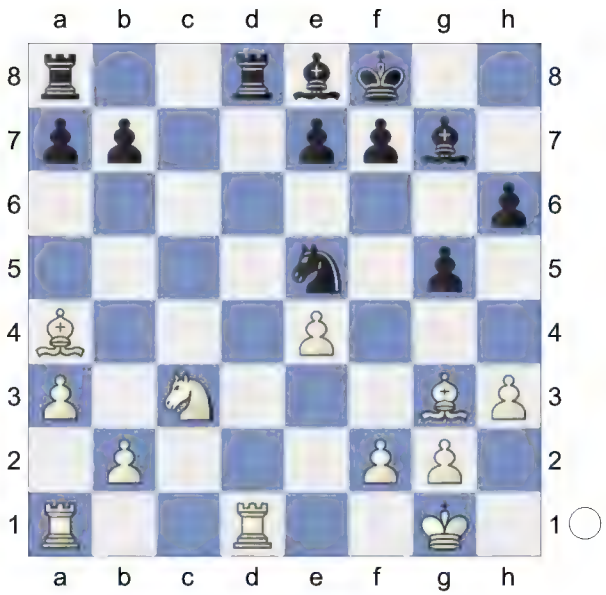
(Diagram)



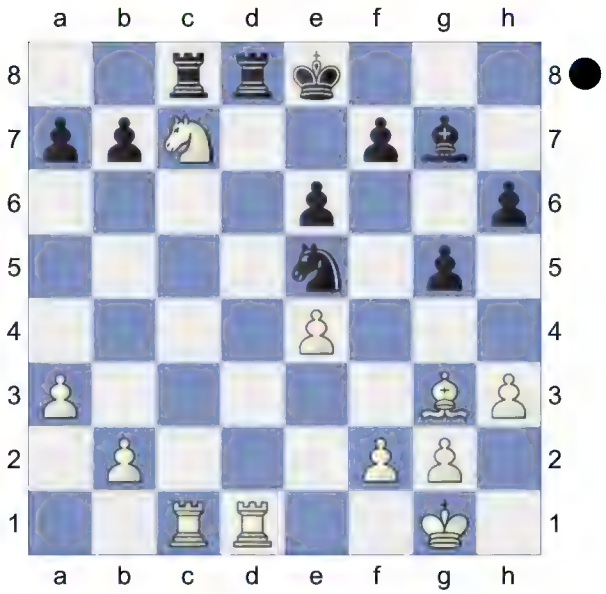
11.Bxa4 Bd7 12.0-0 0-0 13.Rd1 Rfd8 14.e4 Be8 0.00/18
[14...Na5!∓ -0.42/20 15.Bc2 Bc6]
15.Be3 Ng4

16.Bg5 h6 17.Bh4 -0.56/20
[White should play 17.Bxc6= -0.04/19 Bxc6 18.Bxe7]
17...g5∓ 18.Bg3 Kf8 19.h3
[19.h4!?]
19...Nge5 20.Nxe5 Nxe5

(Diagram)

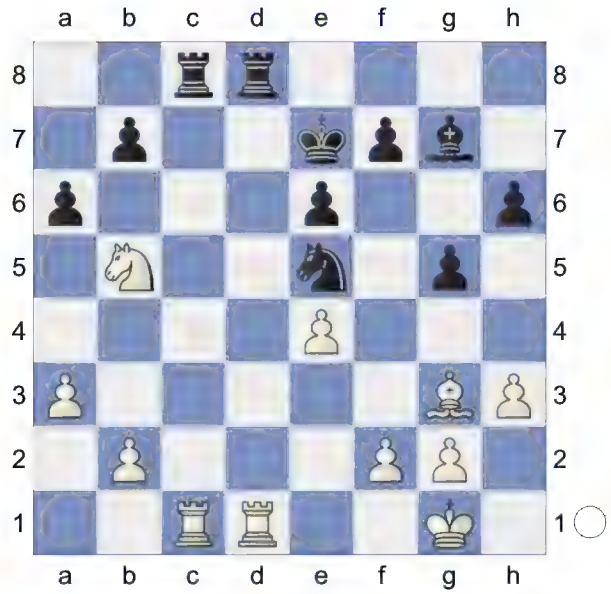


21.Bxe8! Kxe8 22.Nd5 -0.66/20
[22.Nb5 -0.35/20 deserves consideration. Kf8 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Nxa7]
22...Rac8 23.Rac1 e6 24.Nc7+? -5.27/22
[24.Rxc8∓ -0.71/21 is a better chance. Rxc8 25.Ne3]



24...Ke7? -1.12/22
[24...Rxc7!-+ -5.27/22 is more deadly. 25.Rxc7 Rxd1+ 26.Kh2 Rd7 27.Rc8+ Ke7]

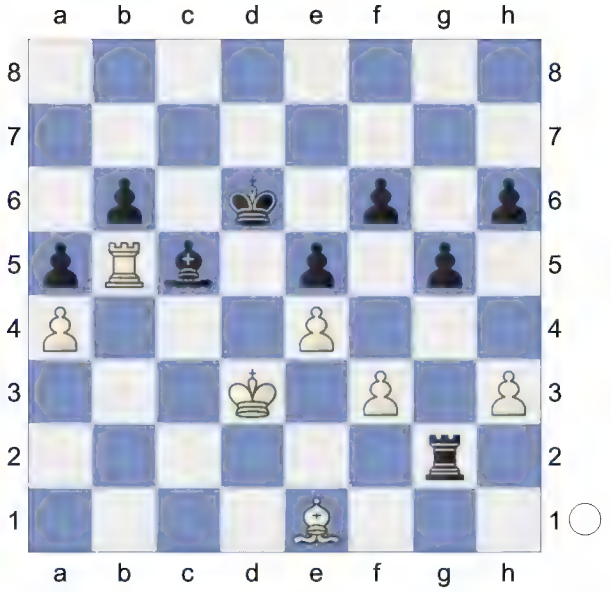
25.Nb5 -1.81/22
[25.Rf1∓ -1.12/22]
25...a6-+



26.Nc3 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 Nc4↑
Keeping White busy. **28.Na4 Nxb2**
[Worse is 28...Bxb2 29.Nxb2 Nxb2 30.Rb1=]
29.Nxb2 Bxb2 Endgame KRB-KRB
30.a4 e5

31.Rd3 -3.04/21
[⌓31.f3 -1.63/21]
31...Bd4 32.Rb3 b6 33.Kf1 a5 34.Ke2 Rc4 35.Ra3 f6

36.Kd3 Rb4 37.f3 -5.26/25
[37.Ra2 -3.30/22 keeps fighting. h5 38.f3]
37...Rb2 Black is clearly winning. **38.Be1 Rxg2 39.Rb3 Kd6 40.Rb5 Bc5**



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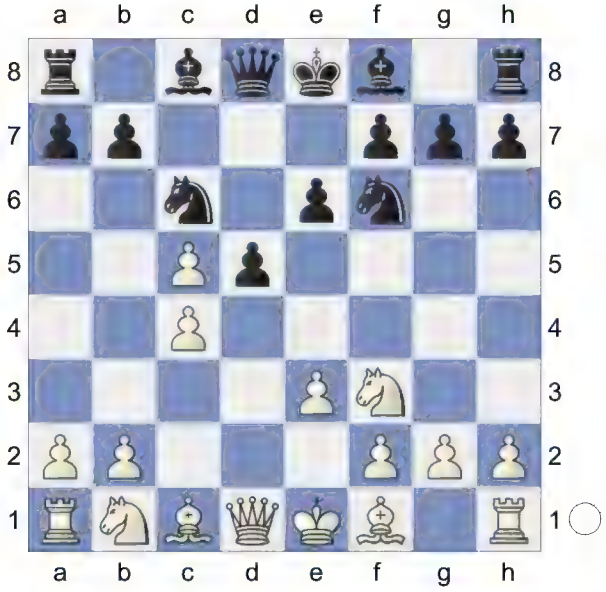
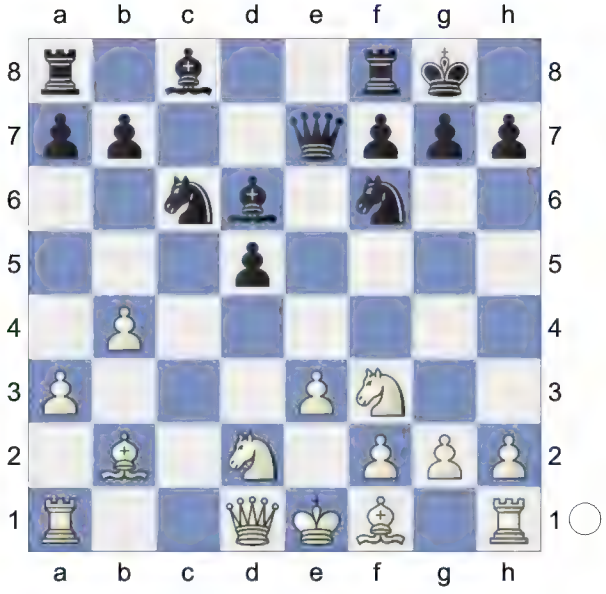
44 **D06**
□ **bancsoo** **2809**
■ **vistagusta** **2795**
Blitz 02.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

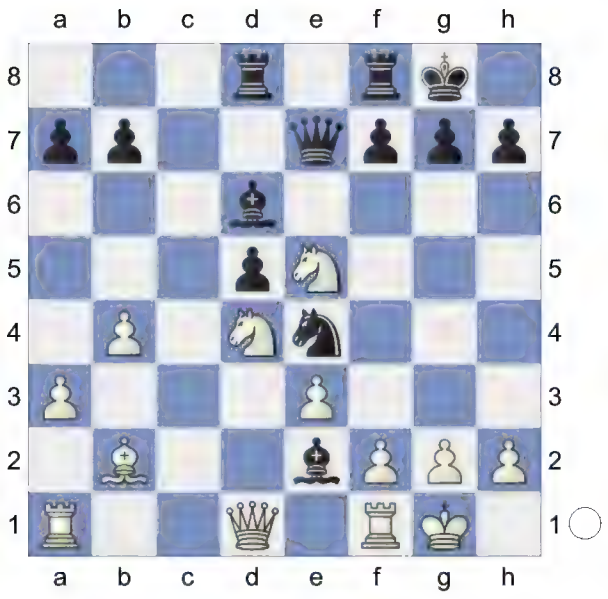
Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.dxc5N**
[3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
[3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 *(5.Nxd5 Nxd5 6.cxd5 Qxd5 7.Qxd4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 a6 9.g3 e5 10.Nb3 Bd7 11.Bg2 Bb4+ 12.Kf1 Bc6 13.Be3 a5 14.Rd1 Nd7 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Kg2 a4 17.Nd2 0-0-0 18.Nc4 f6 19.Rd3 Nb8* Classical Ne4 (2465)-Lin,Z (2492) Rio de Janeiro 2005 CBM 003 [Gomez Fontal, F] 1-0 (55)*)* 5...e5 6.Nf3 d4 7.Nxe5 dxc3 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 9.Nxf7+ Ke8 10.Nxh8 Bb4 11.b3 Bf5 12.f3 Nc6 13.e4 Be6 14.Be3 Ke7 15.a3 Bd6 16.Bd3 Rxh8 17.Ke2 Rd8 Chaury,F (2183)-Konson,K (2251) Baden 2003 0-1 (46)]
3...Nf6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.e3 e6



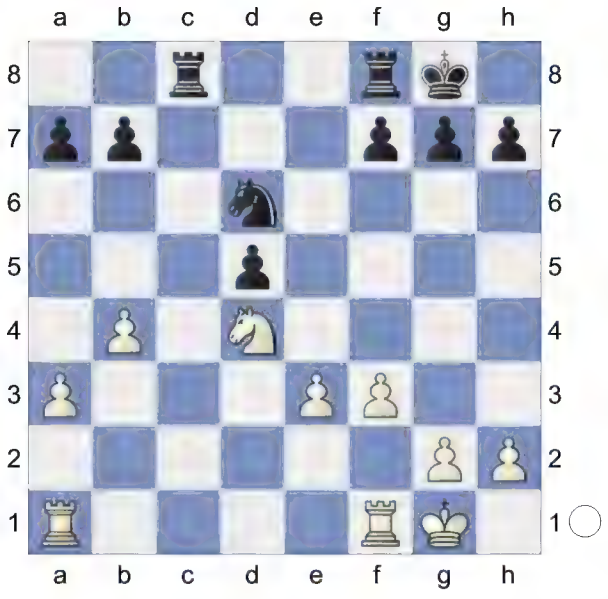
6.a3 Bxc5 7.b4 Bd6 8.Bb2 White is slightly better. **8...0-0 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.cxd5 exd5**



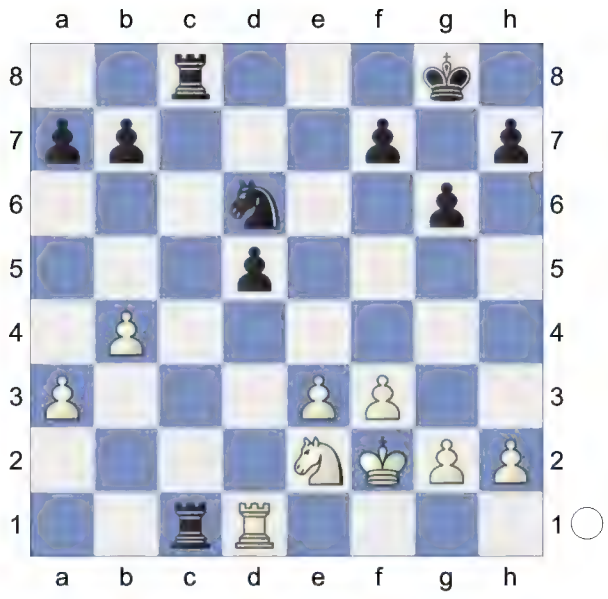
11.Be2 Bg4 12.0-0 Rad8 13.Nb3 Ne4 14.Nbd4 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Bxe2
(Diagram)



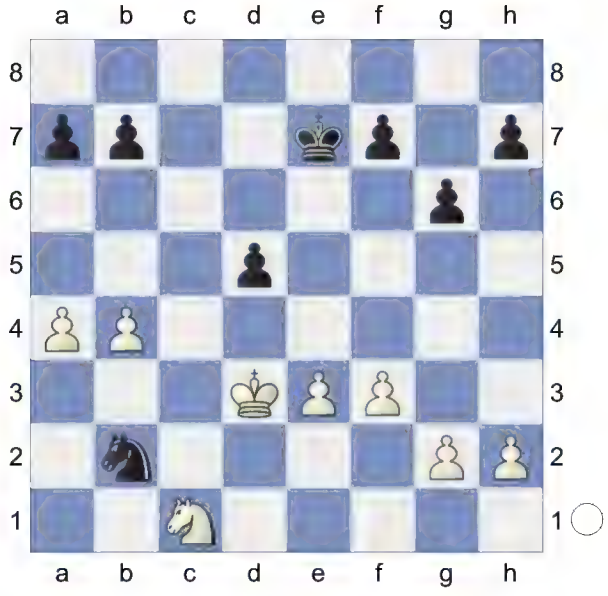
16.Nxe2 aiming for Qd4. **16...Bxe5 17.Bxe5 Qxe5 18.Qd4**
[18.Rc1 keeps more tension. Rc8 19.Qd3 Rfd8 20.Rc2]
18...Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Rc8 20.f3 Nd6



21.Rfc1 Inhibits Rc3. **21...Rc4 22.Kf2 Rfc8 23.Ne2 g6 24.Rd1 Rc2 25.Rac1** -0.29/22
[25.Rxd5± 0.35/21 Nc4 26.e4]
25...Rxc1 0.11/23
[25...Nb5 -0.29/22 should be considered.]

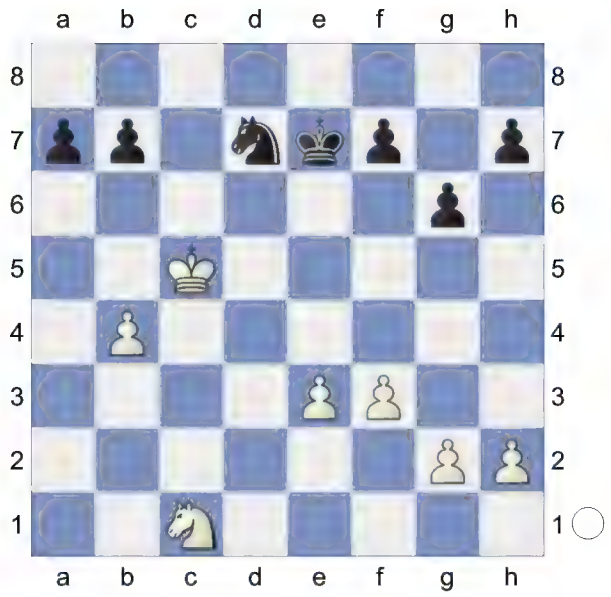


26.Rxc1= Rxc1 27.Nxc1 Endgame KN-KN **27...Nc4 28.a4 Kf8 29.Ke2 Ke7 30.Kd3 Nb2+**

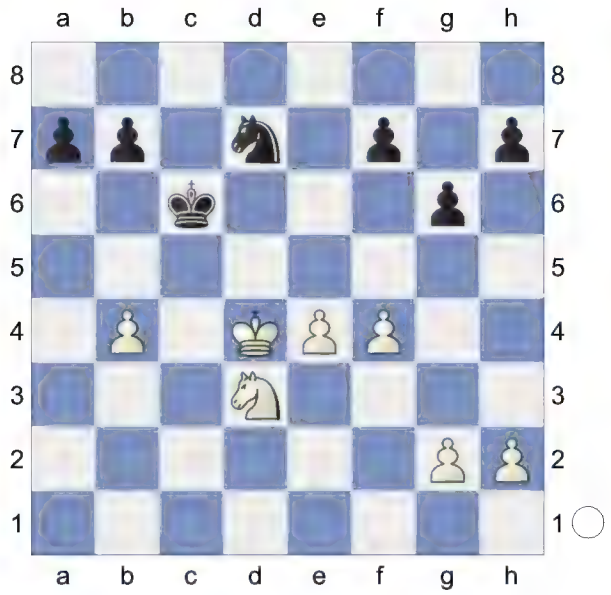


31.Kd4 Nxa4 32.Kxd5 Nc3+ 33.Kc4 Na4 34.Kb5 Nb6 0.38/20
[34...Nb2= 0.01/22]
35.Kc5 0.01/22
[35.Nb3± 0.38/20]
35...Nd7+

(Diagram)



36.Kd5 Nb6+ 37.Kd4 Ke6 38.e4 Kd6 39.Nd3 Nd7 40.f4 Kc6



41.e5 Kb5 0.88/22
[41...h5= 0.30/21 keeps the balance.]
42.Kd5± Nb6+

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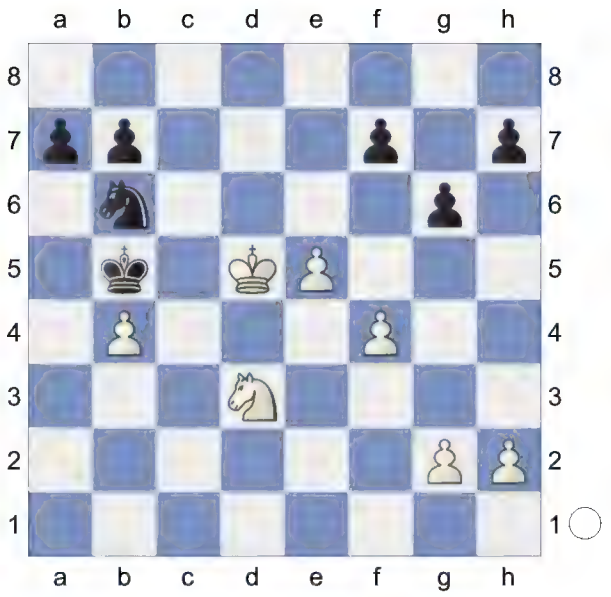
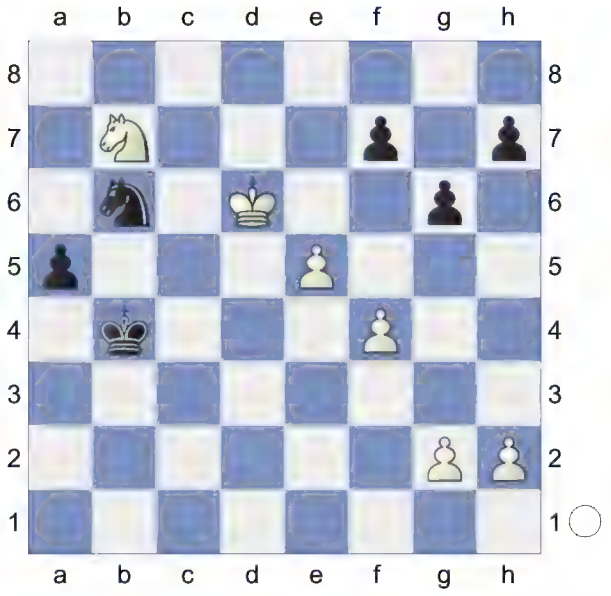
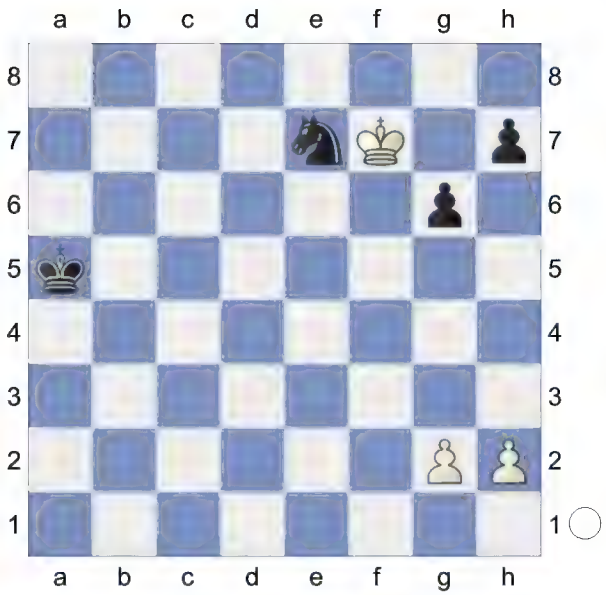


43.Kd6! Kc4 44.Nc5 Kxb4 1.20/21
[44...Nd5!± 0.51/23]
45.Nxb7 And now Ke7 would win.
45...a5

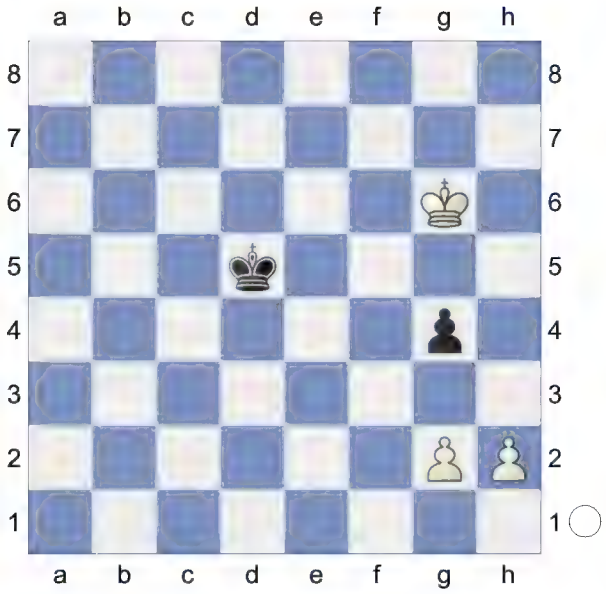


46.Nxa5 Kxa5 KN-KP **47.Ke7 Nd5+?** 12.72/23 A mistake that costs the game.
[47...Kb5± 1.58/22]
48.Kxf7+- Nxf4 KN-K3P **49.e6 Nd5 50.e7 Nxe7**

(Diagram)



51.Kxe7 KPP-KPP **51...Kb6 52.Kf7 Kc6 53.Kg7** White wants to mate with h4. **53...Kd5 54.Kxh7** White mates. **54...g5 55.Kg6 g4**



56.Kg5 g3 57.hxg3 Ke6 58.Kg6

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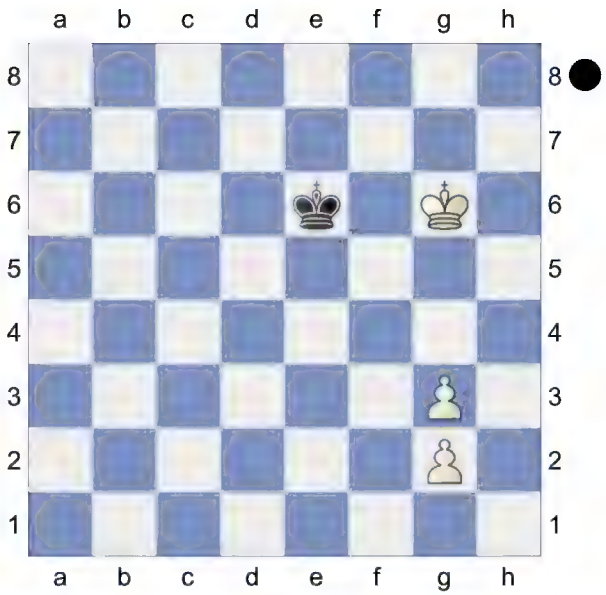

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45 **D06**
□ **HansNiemannBot** **2806**
■ **MeetraBot** **2337**
Rapid 24.12.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min+5sec
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1* D 06/01) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.e4N
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+

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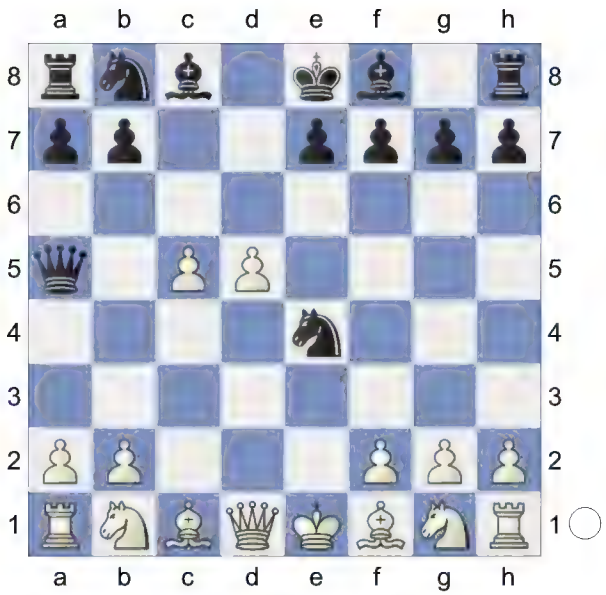
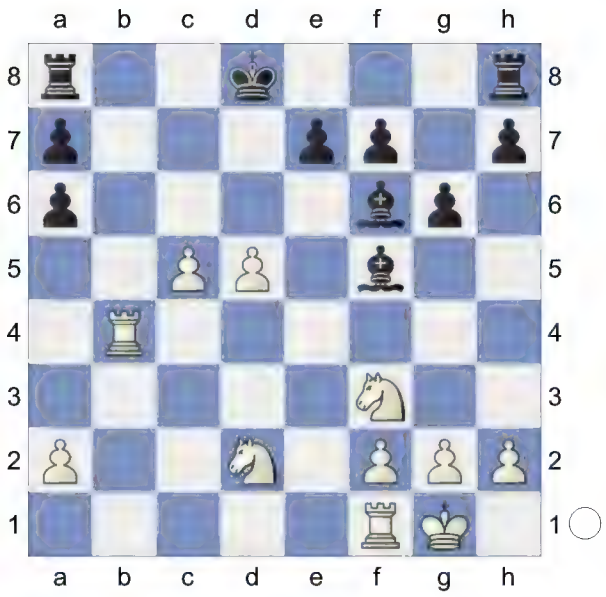
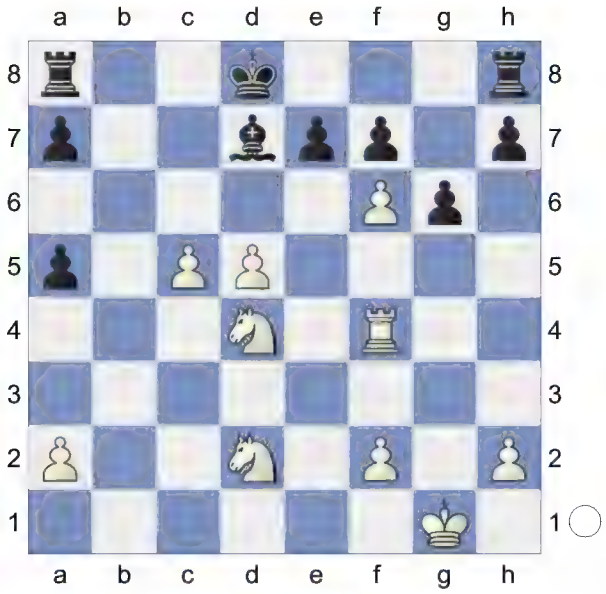


6.Bd2
[6.Nd2 feels hotter. e6 7.d6 Nxd2 8.Bxd2 Qxc5 9.Rc1]
6...Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 8.Nxd2 White is better. **8...g6 9.Rc1 Bg7 10.Bb5+ Kd8** 1.52/20
[Black should play 10...Nd7± 0.58/20]

11.Ngf3± Bxb2 12.Rb1 Bf6 13.0-0 &Bianco is more active. **13...Bf5 14.Rb4 Na6** 2.03/21
[14...b6± 1.33/17]
15.Bxa6+- bxa6

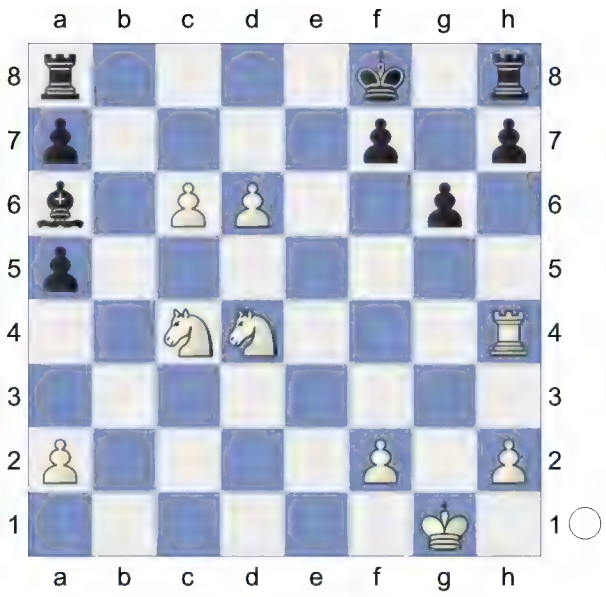


16.g4 a5 17.Rf4 Bd3 18.g5 Bxf1 19.gxf6
[19.Kxf1 Bc3∓]
19...Bb5 20.Nd4 Bd7

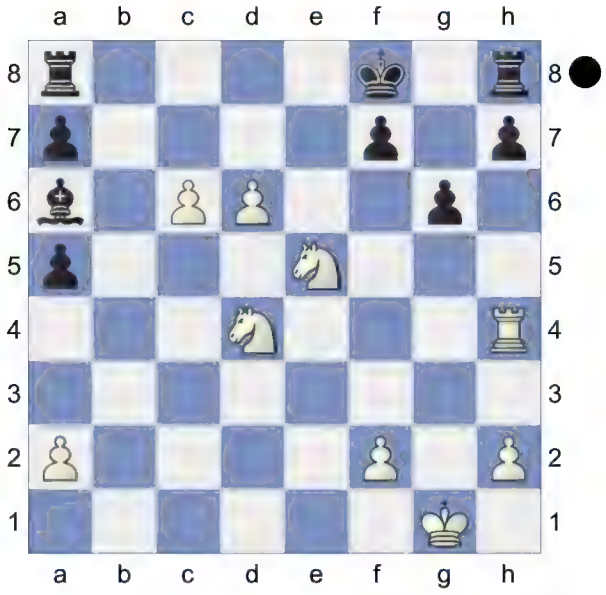


21.fxe7+ Kxe7 22.d6+ Kf8 23.c6 Bh3 24.Rh4 Bc8 25.Nc4
[25.d7 Bxd7 26.cxd7 Rd8=]
25...Ba6? 5.26/22
[25...Kg7 2.96/20 26.d7 *(26.Nxa5 Rd8±)* 26...Rd8]

(Diagram)

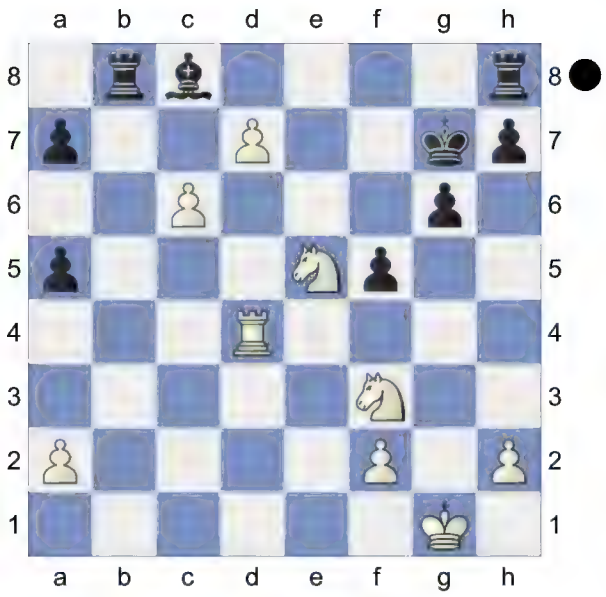


26.Ne5

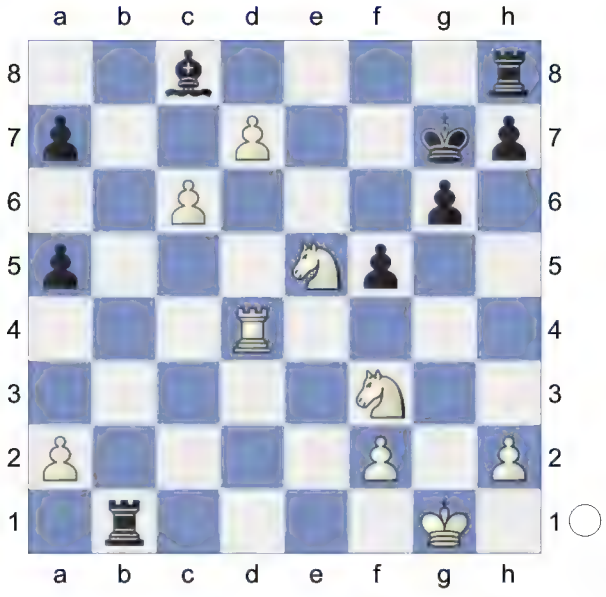


Black must now prevent Rf4. **26...Kg7**
27.d7 Against Rae8 **27...Bc8** 6.86/19
[⌓27...Rac8 4.87/19 28.dxc8N Rxc8]
28.Rf4 f5 29.Ndf3 Rb8 30.Rd4

(Diagram)

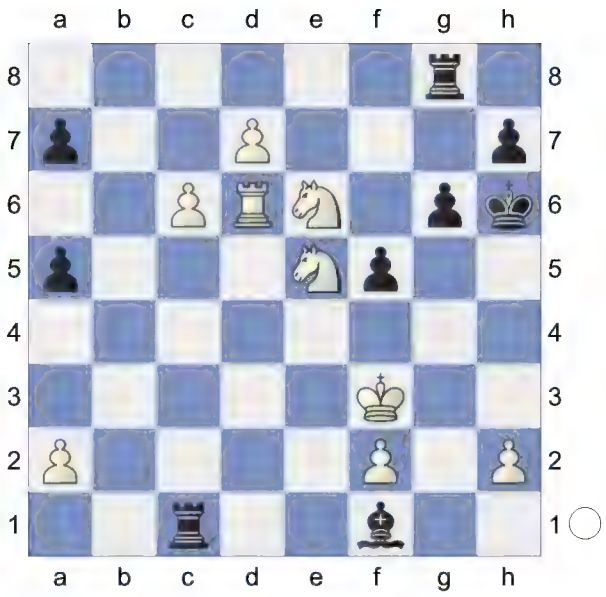


Strongly threatening c7. **30...Rb1+**

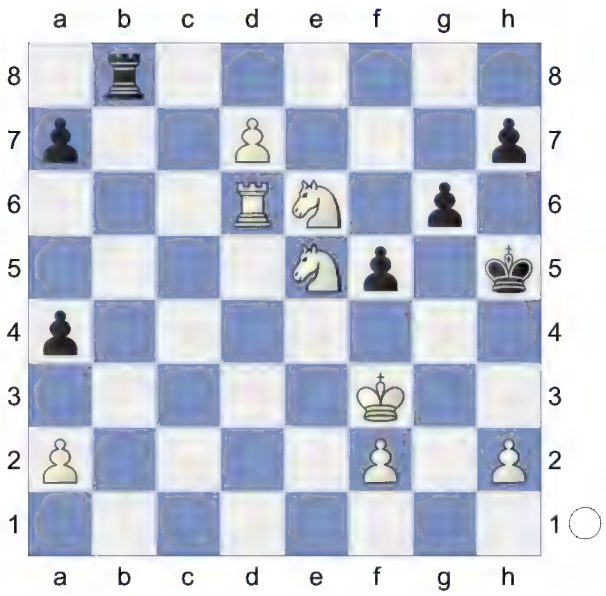


31.Kg2 Rc1 32.Ng5 Ba6 33.Rd6 Bf1+ 34.Kf3 Rg8 35.Ne6+ Kh6

(Diagram)

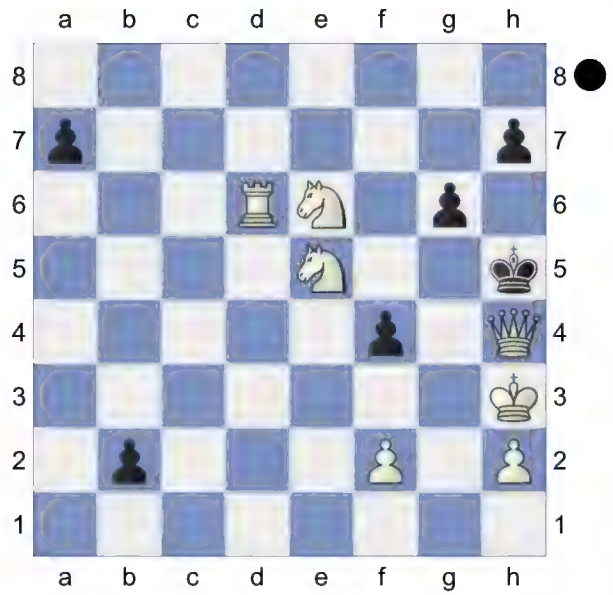


36.c7 Rxc7 37.Nxc7 Ne8 would kill now. Pair of Knights! **37...Bb5 38.Nxb5** Intending Nc7 and mate. **38...a4 39.Nc7 Rb8 40.Ne6 Kh5**



41.Kg3 f4+ 42.Kh3 White threatens Nf7 and mate. **42...Rb3+ 43.axb3** White mates. **43...axb3 44.d8Q b2 45.Qh4#**

(Diagram)



Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) / Black=0.79

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46 **D06**
□ **Kasparov,Garry** **2800**
■ **Casares Ripoll,Fernando** **0**
Galicia simul 1991
[Damian Lemos]

We continue to analyze some marginal lines by Black and once more we have a former world champion's game to enjoy. D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**

[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.?d2 h6 10.?e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]

3.cxd5 Nf6

[Instead, 3...Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 is the subject of our next game;]

[while 3...cxd4 4.Qa4+ Qd7 *(*Black comes up short after *4...Bd7 5.Qxd4;* or *4...b5 5.Qxd4)* 5.Qxd4 e6 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.e4 exd5 8.exd5 a6 9.Nf3 Bd6 10.Bd3 0-0 11.0-0 Qg4 was played in V.Mikhalevski-K.Landa, Ajaccio 2007, and here I believe White can obtain a clear advantage after the simple 12.Be3 .]

4.Nf3 I like this natural move because White gains a risk-free endgame.

[4.e4 is White's main option. He also has the advantage after Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5 6.Nc3 e5 7.Nf3 , G.Timoshenko-G.Schroeter, Berlin 1997; *(*and here *7.b4 Nca6 8.a3* is also worth considering. *)*]

4...cxd4

[If 4...Nxd5 5.e4 Nf6 6.d5 and White is left with a little space more space, in view of Nxe4 7.Qa4+ .]

[Likewise, after 4...Qxd5 5.Nc3 Qd8 6.d5 Black finds himself a little cramped.]

5.Qxd4N

[5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1* D 06/01-N,N*)* 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 *(7...Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)*)* 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 Brandics,J (2550)-Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]

5...Qxd5

[The endgame arising after 5...Nxd5 is quite unpleasant for Black because he loses the right to castle: 6.e4 Nb6 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.Be3 Bd7 10.Bb5 f6 11.0-0 e5 12.Rfd1 and White had obtained a clear advantage in J.Sunye Neto-L.Vidigal, Brasilia 1975.]

(Diagram)

6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 It is fundamental to prevent Nb5.

[a) 7...Bd7 8.Ndb5 Na6 9.Bf4 is unpleasant for Black, and if Nd5!? 10.Nd6+! exd6 11.Nxd5 , when he has a weak pawn on d6.]

[b) 7...e5 8.Ndb5 Na6 9.e4 Bb4 10.f3 0-0 11.a3 Bxc3+ 12.Nxc3 and the bishop pair gives White the better endgame, A.Wojtkiewicz-R. Toledo, Manila 1997.]

8.g3 Targeting the long diagonal, while Black is going to have some trouble finishing his queenside development.

8...e5 9.Nc2 Bd7 0.31/21

[9...Bf5= -0.01/21 was preferrable. 10.Ne3 Be6]

10.Bg2± Bc6

[After 10...Nc6 11.Be3!? Black has a weakness on b6 and the d5-square can be exploited at some point, just as we are going to see in our main game.]

(Diagram)

11.0-0 White is slightly better. **11...Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Nc6 13.Bg5 Be7 14.Rfd1 Rd8 15.Bxf6 Rxd1**

[15...Bxf6 16.Ne3 Nd4 1.05/21 *(16...0-0± 0.62/21)* 17.Ned5 0.66/20 does not fix Black's problems either. *(17.Nc4± 1.05/21)*]

16.Rxd1 Bxf6 17.Ne3 &Bianco is more active.

[17.Nd5 Bd8 is also possible, but I think the manoeuvre in the game is better, since Nc2-e3-d5 followed by e3

gives us full control over the centre and we can continue with Ne4-c5.]

17...0-0? 1.53/23 After this the endgame is hopeless for Black; he cannot leave the seventh rank unprotected.

[Instead, 17...Bd8?! 1.73/20 17...Be7 1.01 18.Nf5 Hoping for Nd6+. g6 3.26/21 *(or 18...0-0 19.Rd7; 18...0-0* 1.82/24 might work better. *19.Rd7 b5)* 19.Nd6+ loses a pawn;]

[while after 17...g6 18.Ned5 Bd8 19.Na4 , followed by Nc5, White's knights cause nightmares for Black.]

[⌓17...Be7 0.93/23]

18.Rd7± b5 19.Ne4 1.35/22

[White should play 19.Ned5+- 1.71/21]

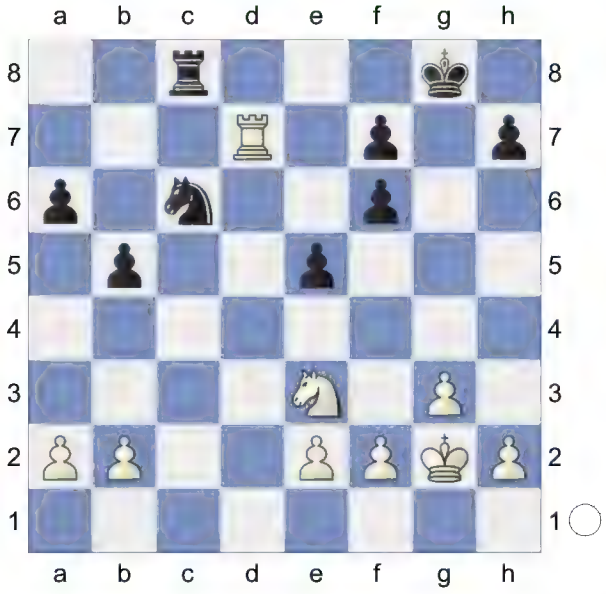
19...Rc8 2.31/25

[19...Nd4± 1.35/22 20.Ng4 Nxe2]

20.Nxf6+

[Or just 20.Nd5 Bd8 21.Nd6 Rb8 22.Nxf7 with a winning advantage.]

20...gxf6+-



Endgame KRN-KRN **21.Nf5** Against Nd4 **21...Kf8** 3.32/23

[⌓21...Re8 1.93/20 22.Rd6 Nd4]

22.e3 1.68/20

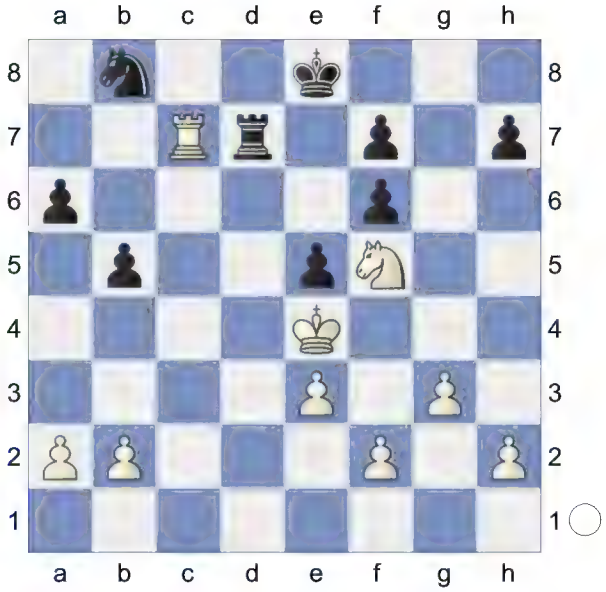
[⌓22.Nd6 3.32/23 Ra8 23.Rxf7+ Kg8 24.Rxf6]

22...Rd8 23.Rc7 Nb8 2.41/22

[23...Nb4± 1.46/23]

24.Kf3 The rest is a matter of technique, as Black can scarcely move: **24...Ke8 25.Ke4** aiming for b4. **25...Rd7?** 4.01/22

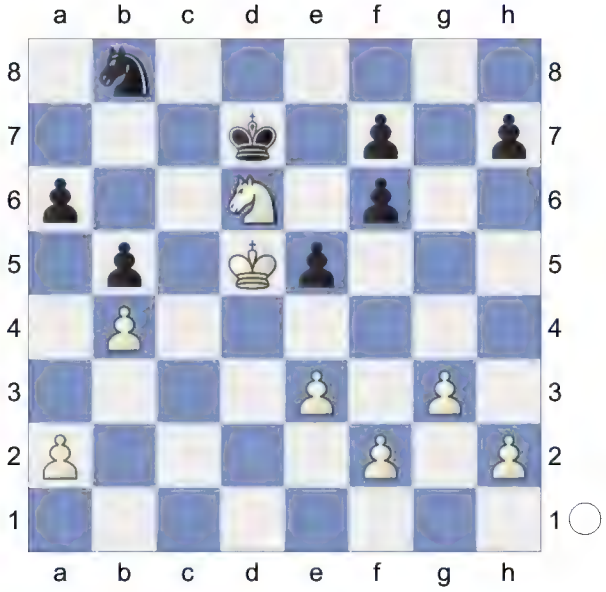
[25...a5 1.62/22 was called for. 26.Rc5 Na6 27.Rxb5 a4]



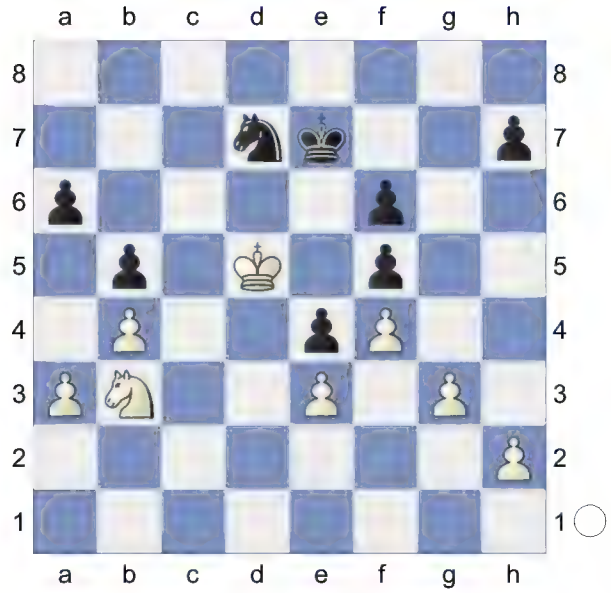
26.Rc8+ Rd8 27.Nd6+ Kd7 28.Rxd8+ Kxd8 KN-KN **29.Kd5** Against Nc6

[29.Nxf7+ Ke7±]

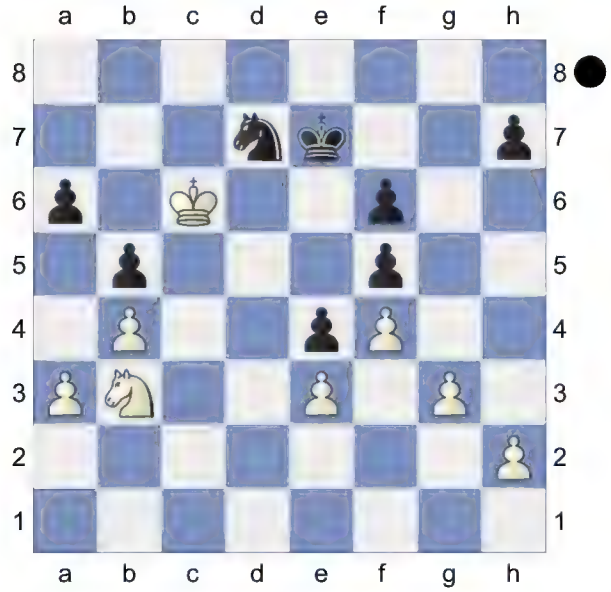
29...Ke7 30.b4 Kd7



31.Ne4 f5 32.Nc5+ Ke7 33.a3 f6 (precise) /Black=0.50
5.32/24
[33...e4 3.59/22 was worth a try. 34.Ke5 a5 35.bxa5 Nc6+ 36.Kxf5 Nxa5]
34.f4 White is clearly winning. **34...e4**
35.Nb3 Nd7



36.Kc6



. White is going to remove all Black's pawns while Black is still trying to activate his knight. Prevents Nb6. Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.21

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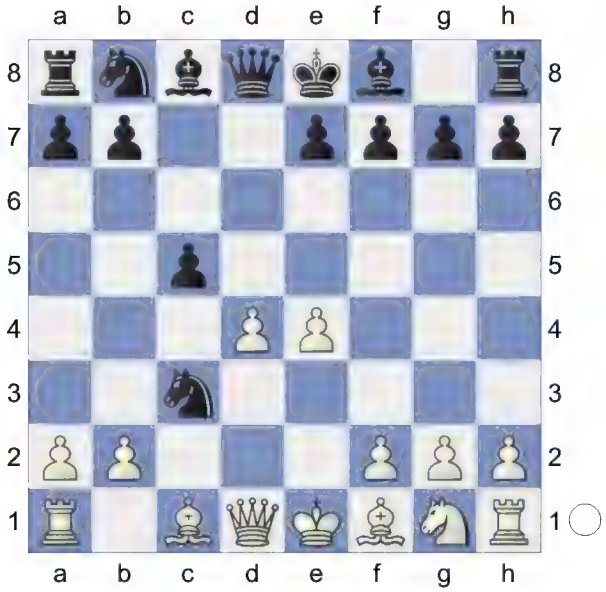
47 **D06**
□ **Erigaisi,Arjun** **2799**
■ **So,Wesley** **2747**
Tata Steel India Blitz (10.3) 17.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

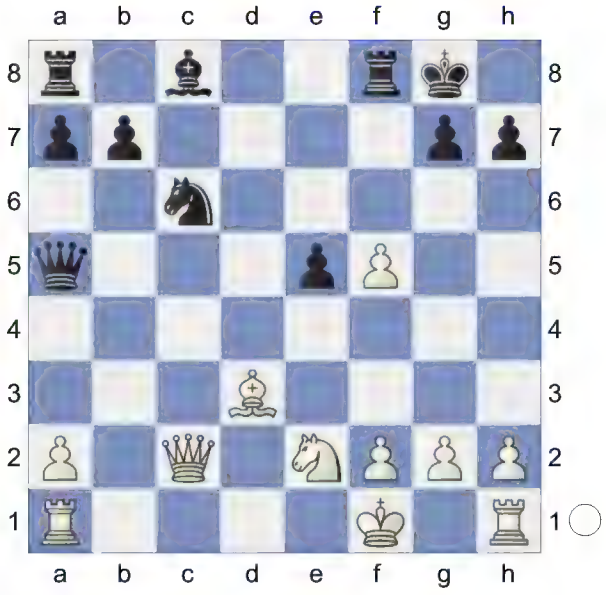
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3**



6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.d5N
[8.Nf3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 exd4 11.Bb5+ Bd7 ½-½ Hammes,M (2349)-Zaitsev,M (2467) Boeblingen op 20th 2003 (7)]
[8.dxe5 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Qd4 10.Rc1 Qxe4+ 11.Be2 Bxd2+ 12.Qxd2 0-0 13.Nf3 Nc6 14.0-0 Nxe5 15.Rfe1 Be6 16.Ng5 Qf5 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Qe3 Rad8 19.Qxa7 Nd3 20.Bxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc2 Rd1 22.Rxd1 Qxc2 1-0 Duda,J (2732)-Alekseenko,K (2679) Julius Baer GenCup D3 W rapid 2024 (1.2)]
8...Bd6 9.Bd3 0-0 10.Ne2 f5 0.46/19
[10...Nd7= 0.01/20]

(Diagram)

11.exf5!± Bb4+ 1.09/20
[11...Na6± 0.49/19]
12.Bd2± Bxd2+ 13.Qxd2 Qxd5 14.Qc2? -0.68/21
[14.Rc1± 0.96/20 aiming for Bd3-c4. Kh8 15.f6]
14...Qa5+ 15.Kf1 Nc6 0.21/20
[15...Nd7∓ -0.42/20]

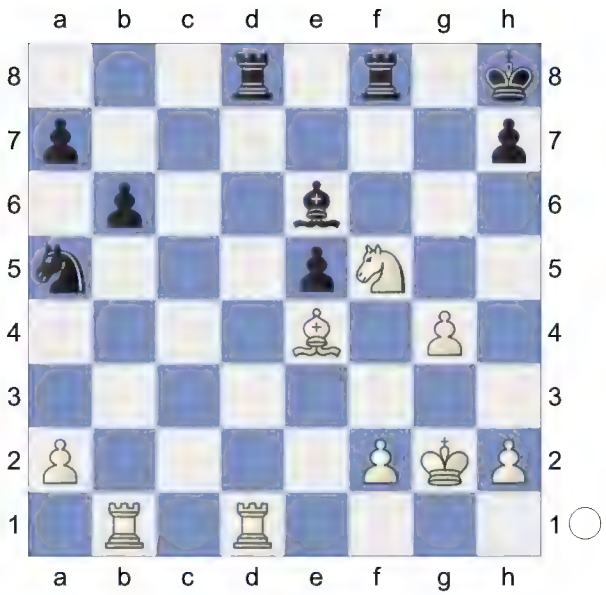


16.g4= Kh8 17.Be4 Bd7 0.59/20
[Black should play 17...g6= -0.06/20]
18.Rd1 0.01/20
[18.Kg2± 0.59/20]

18...Nb4 19.Qd2 Rad8 0.80/20
[19...Bc6!= -0.01/21 20.Bxc6 bxc6]
20.Rb1± Nc6

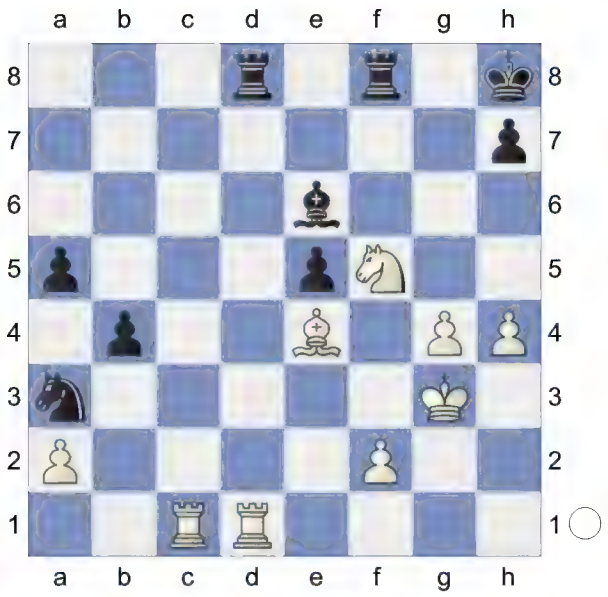
21.Qxa5 Nxa5 22.Kg2
[22.Bxb7? Nxb7 23.f3 *(23.Rxb7? Bc6-+)* 23...Nd6-+]
22...g6 23.Ng3 White is more active.
[23.Bxb7? Nxb7 *(23...gxf5 24.Bd5∓)* 24.f3 Nd6-+]
[23.fxg6 Bxg4 24.f3 Rd2∓]
23...gxf5 24.Nxf5 0.29/20
[24.Bxb7? Nxb7 *(24...fxg4 25.Be4∓)* 25.Rhe1 Nc5 26.Rxe5 Nd3 27.Rxf5 Nf4+ 28.Kf3 Bxf5 29.Nxf5 Ne6-+]
[24.gxf5± 0.84/21 b5 25.Rhd1]
24...b6 1.38/21
[24...b5!= 0.29/20]
25.Rhd1 0.38/22
[25.Rbc1± 1.38/21]
25...Be6

(Diagram)



26.Rbc1 0.10/21
[26.Rxd8± 0.54/20 Rxd8 27.a4]
26...Nc4!= 27.Kg3 b5 0.69/21
[27...Nd2= -0.17/21 28.Bc2 e4]
28.Bc2 -0.01/21
[28.Nh6!± 0.69/21]
28...a5 29.h4 -0.68/20
[White should try 29.Nh6= 0.01/21]
29...Na3 0.01/22
[29...Nd2∓ -0.68/20 30.Re1 e4 31.Bxe4 Bxa2 *(31...Nxe4+ 32.Rxe4 Bxa2 33.Re5∓)*]
30.Be4 b4 0.84/22
[30...Rxd1= -0.04/22 31.Rxd1 b4]

(Diagram)



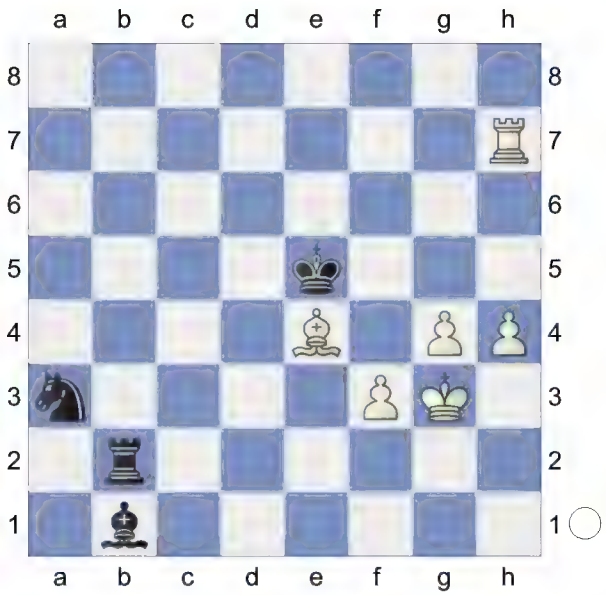
31.Rxd8± Rxd8 32.Rc5 Inhibits Na3-b5. **32...Nc4 33.Bc2** 0.22/23
[33.f3± 0.67/21]
33...Rc8= 34.Rb5 Na3 35.Rxe5 Bxa2

36.Be4 a4 37.Nd6? -1.63/22
[37.Ne7= 0.01/22 and White stays safe. Rc7 38.Nf5]
37...Rd8? -0.01/23
[37...Nc4!-+ -1.63/22 38.Nf7+ Kg7]
38.Nb7 Rb8 and ...Na3-b1 would now be decisive **39.Nc5 b3** 1.14/22
[39...Bg8= 0.09/21 40.Nxa4 Nc4]
40.Nxa4± b2

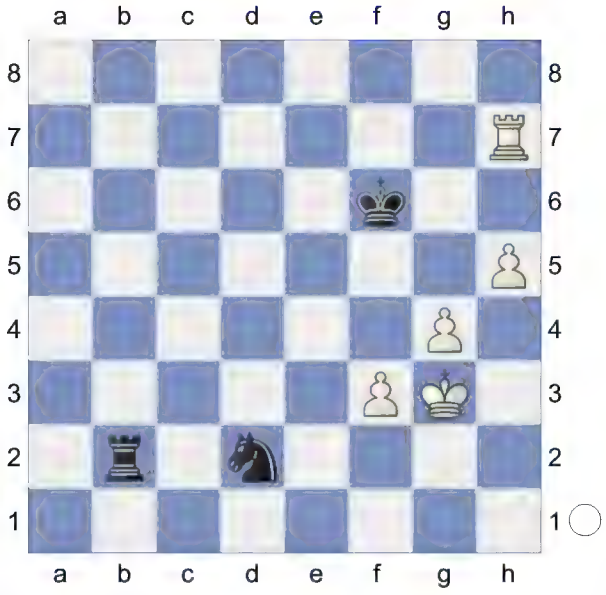
41.Nxb2 Deflection **41...Rxb2**

42.Re8+ Kg7 43.Re7+ Deflection
43...Kf6
[Don't go for 43...Bf7? 44.Bd5 h6 45.Rxf7+ *(45.Bxf7 Kf8+-)* 45...Kh8 46.Rf8+ Kh7 47.f3+-]
44.Rxh7 Ke5 45.f3 Bb1

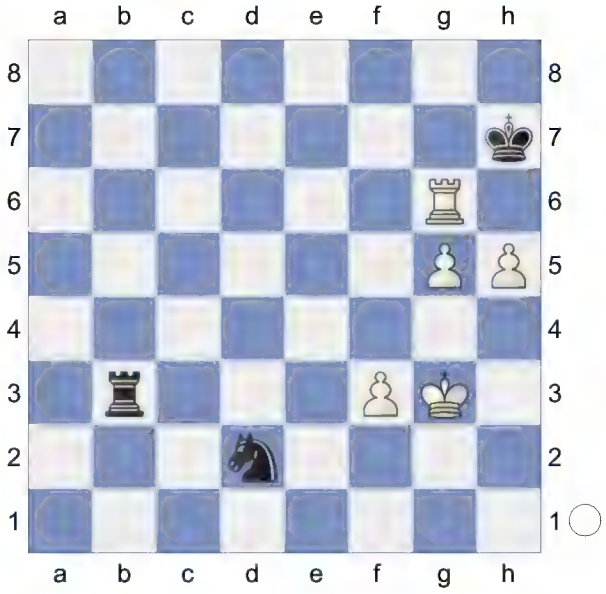
(Diagram)



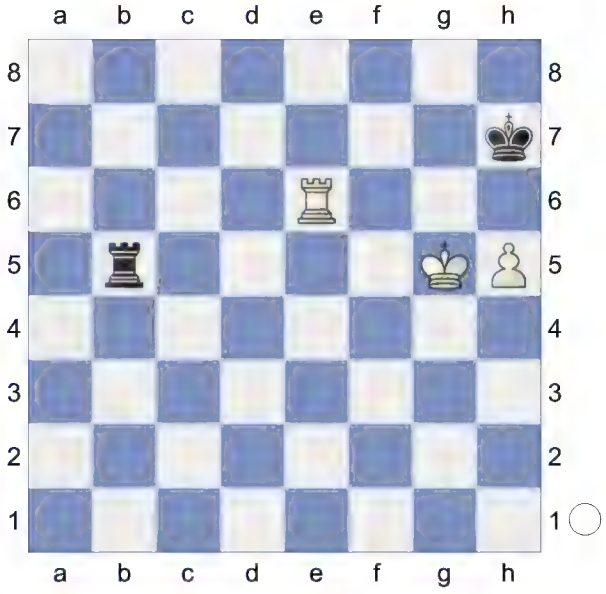
46.Rh5+ Kd6 47.Rh6+ Ke7 48.Bxb1 0.56/23
[48.Ra6± 1.47/20 Bxe4 49.fxe4 *(49.Rxa3 Bb1∓)*]
48...Nxb1 Endgame KRN-KR **49.h5** 0.01/22
[49.Rc6± 0.67/21]
49...Nd2!= -0.01/24 keeps the balance.
50.Rh7+ Kf6



(→ ...Nd2-f1+) **51.Rh6+ Kg7** 0.85/24
52.g5 0.00/27
[52.Rd6± 0.85/24]
52...Rb3 The position is equal. **53.Rg6+ Kh7 54.Rh6+ Kg7 55.Rg6+ Kh7**



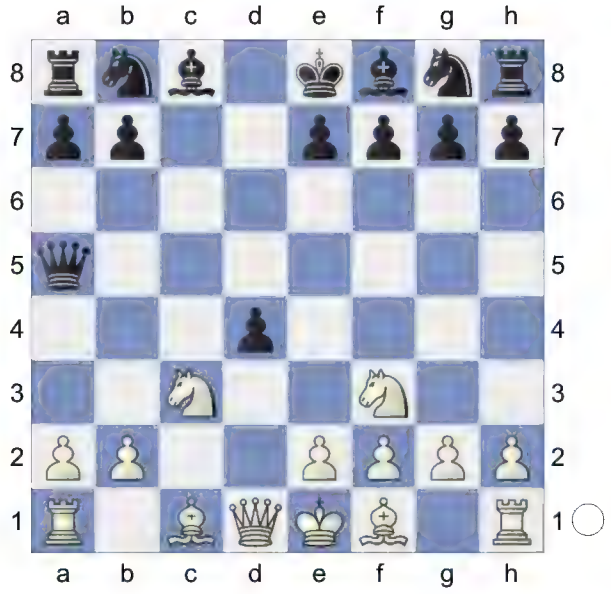
56.Kg4 Nxf3 57.Re6 Dodges Nf3-e5+
57...Nxg5 Decoy **58.Kxg5 Rb5+**



Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/ Black=0.31
½-½

48 **D06**
□ **Ding,Liren** **2799**
■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2767**
Airthings Masters Prelim rapid (9.7)
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

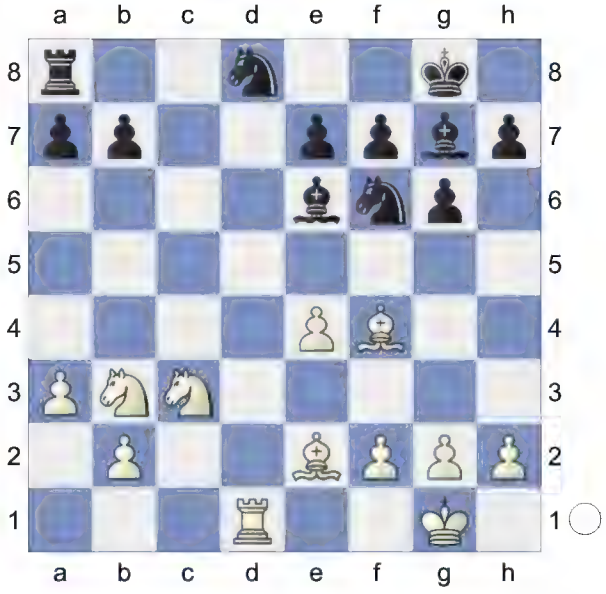


6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.a3N
[7.Nb3 Qh5 *(7...Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]

7...g6 8.Nb3 0.10/18
[8.b4± 0.41/19 was preferrable. Qd8 9.Ra2]

8...Qh5 9.Bf4 Bg7 10.e4 Qxd1+

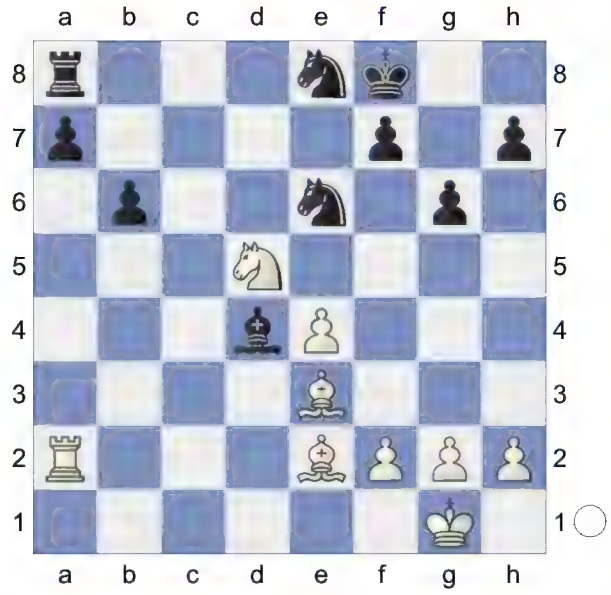
11.Rxd1 0-0 12.Be2 Nc6 13.0-0 Rd8 14.Rxd8+ Nxd8 15.Rd1 Be6



16.Nc5 b6 17.Nxe6 Nxe6 18.Be3 Ne8 19.Nd5 Bxb2 20.Nxe7+ Kf8 0.67/22

[20...Kg7!= 0.30/22 might be stronger.]

21.Nd5!± 0x0.0020d340462fdp-1022s more active pieces. **21...Bxa3 22.Ra1 Bb2 23.Ra2 Bd4**



24.Nxb6! Pin **24...Rd8 25.Bh6+** 0.49/21 This bishop pair is nice.

[25.Rxa7± 0.81/21 Bxe3 26.fxe3]

25...Bg7

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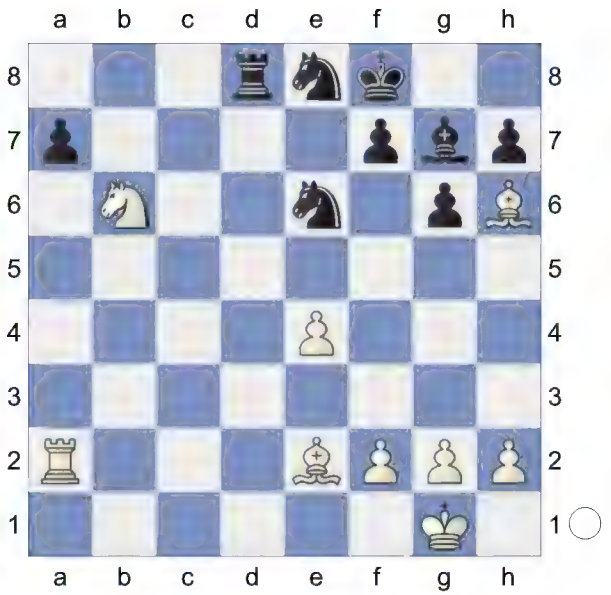


26.Bxg7+ Kxg7 27.Nd5 0.31/19

[27.Rxa7± 0.74/21 Rb8 28.Nc4]

27...Rd7 28.g3 Nd6 29.f3 Nd4 30.Kf2 f5 0.66/21

[30...Rb7= 0.30/20 should be considered.]

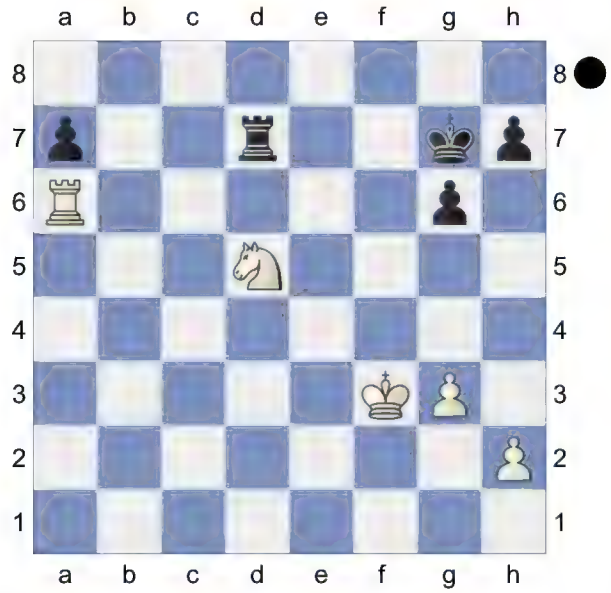
31.Bd3 0.16/21

[White should try 31.e5± 0.66/21 Nxe2 32.e6 *(32.Kxe2 Nb5∓; 32.Rxe2 Nc4=; 32.exd6 Nd4=)*]

31...fxe4= 32.Bxe4 Nc6 33.Ra6 Ne5 0.62/21

[33...Nb8= 0.19/20 34.Ra5 Nc6]
34.Ke3 -0.01/21
[Better is 34.h3± 0.62/21]
34...Nxe4 The position is equal. **35.Kxe4 Nxf3**

36.Kxf3



Black must now prevent Nf4. **36...Rxd5 37.Rxa7+**

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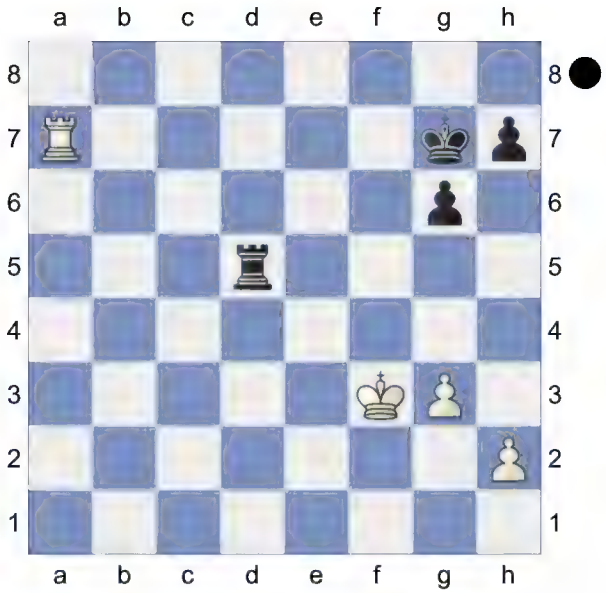

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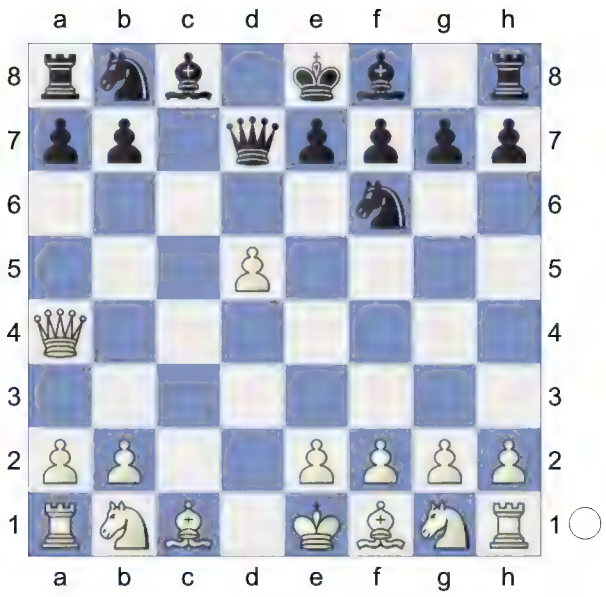
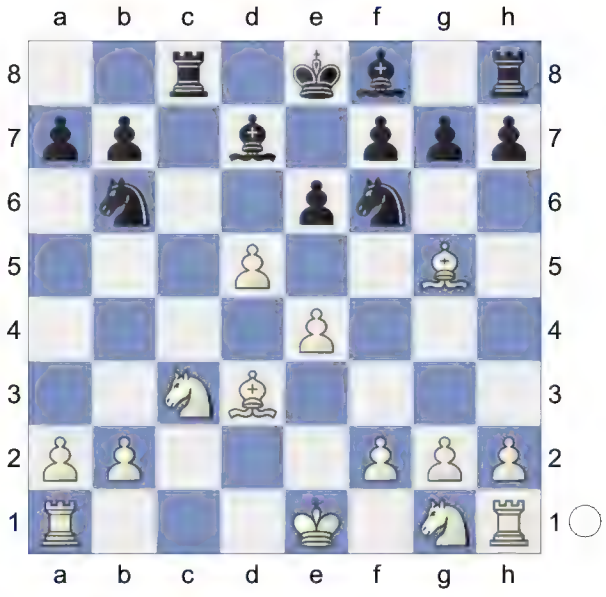
49 **D06**
□ **BuddhaMonkey** **2784**
■ **AAlmeidaTX** **2712**
Blitz 29.03.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.?d2 h6 10.?e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 cxd4N
[3...Nf6 4.Nf3 *(4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8* Chapter-Games Game 9 (42))
4...cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
4.Qxd4 Nf6 5.Qa4+ Qd7 0.61/20
[5...Bd7= 0.21/20 6.Qb3 Na6]

(Diagram)



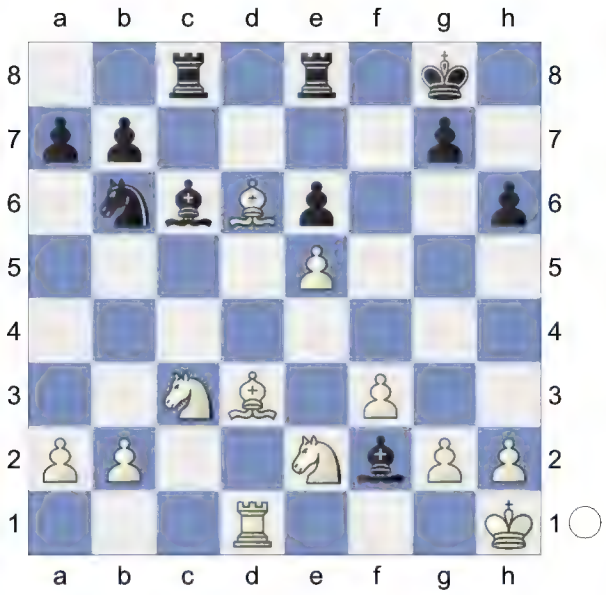
6.Qxd7+!± Nbxd7 7.Nc3 Nb6 8.e4
White is better. **8...Bd7** 1.33/19
[⌓8...e6 0.83/18]
9.Bg5 0.73/18
[⌓9.a4 1.33/19]
9...Rc8 10.Bd3 e6



11.dxe6 fxe6 12.Nge2 Bb4 13.0-0 0-0 14.Rad1 Bc5 15.Kh1 -0.42/19
[15.Bf4± 0.95/16]
15...Ng4∓

(Diagram)

16.f3 Nf2+ 17.Rxf2! Bxf2 18.e5 h6 19.Be7 Rfe8 20.Bd6 Bc6



21.Bg6 -0.61/21
[21.Nf4= -0.12/21 was preferrable.]
21...Red8 22.Nf4 Nc4 0.55/20
[22...Be8∓ -0.37/22 23.Be4 Nc4 24.Nxe6 Rd7]
23.Nxe6± Rd7 24.b3↑ White has the initiative. **24...Nxe5** 1.60/24 **25.Bxe5±** aiming for Rxd7. **25...Rxd1+** 2.72/5
[25...Re7± 1.60/24 was called for.]

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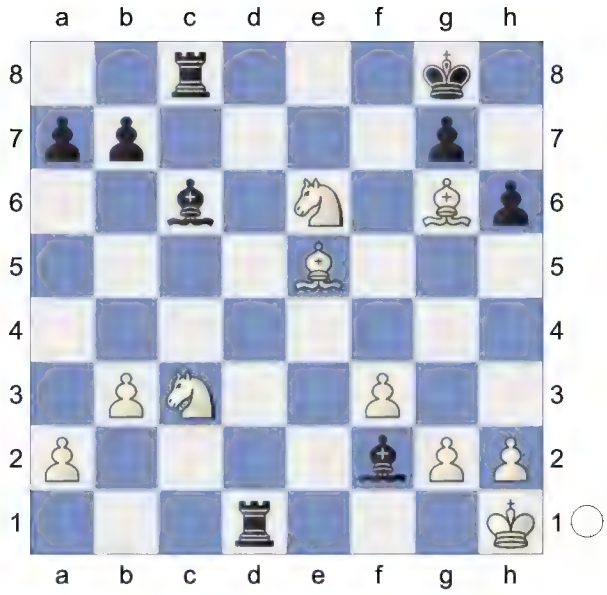
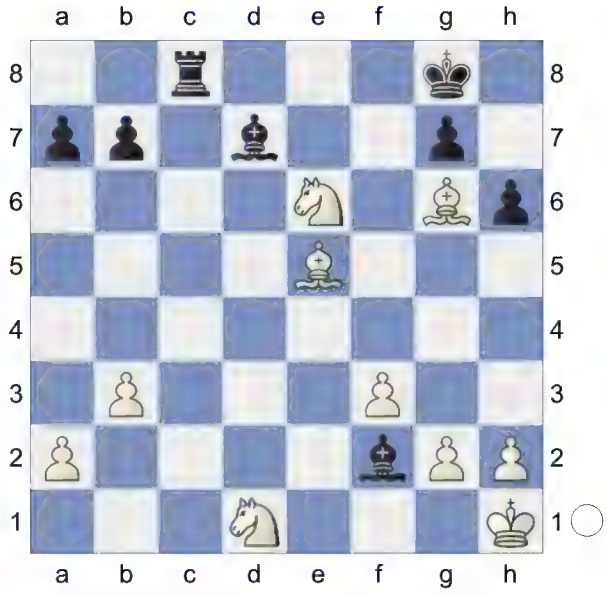


26.Nxd1+- Pair of Knights! **26...Bd7**



27.Nc7? 0.50/20
[And not 27.Nxg7 Rc1 28.h4 Rxd1+ 29.Kh2 Bd4 30.Bxd4 Rxd4∓]
[27.Bb2!+- 2.84/25]
27...Bb6!± 28.Nd5 Rc1 29.N5c3 Ba5

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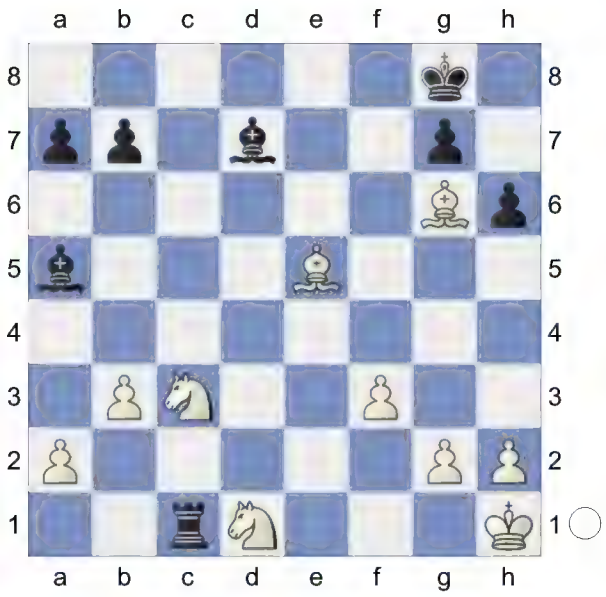
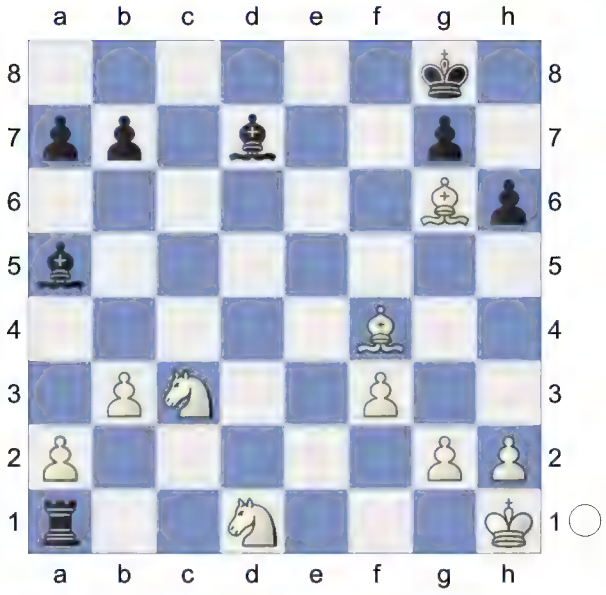
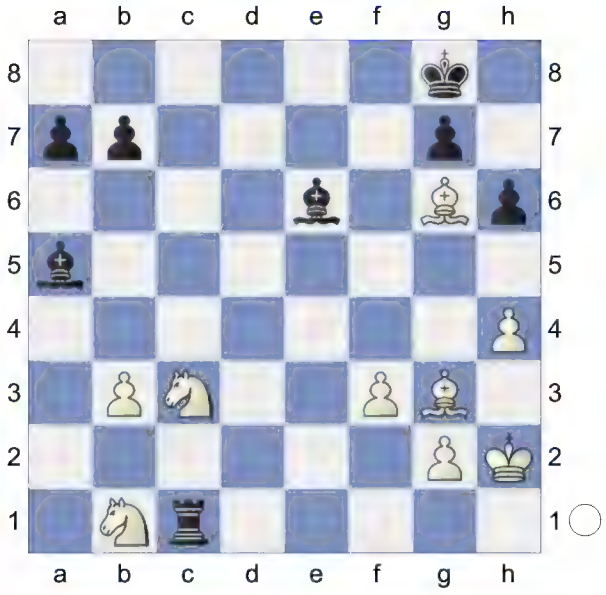


...Bxc3 is the strong threat. **30.Bf4! Ra1**

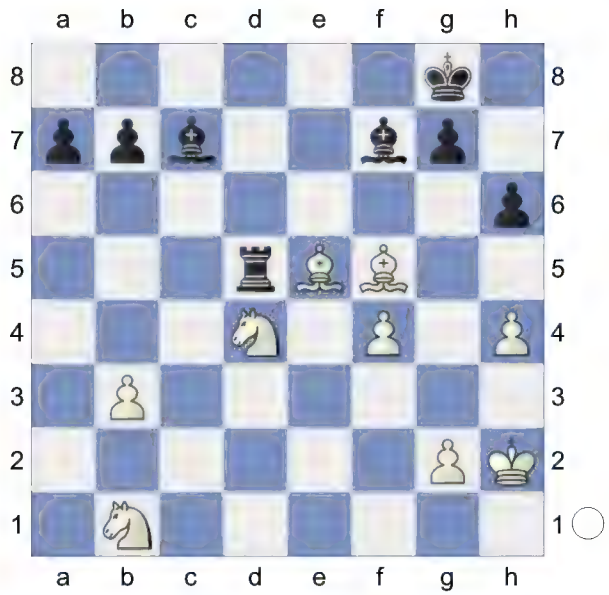


31.Nb1 Strongly threatening a3.
[Much worse is 31.Bb1 Bxc3 32.Nxc3 Bf5=]
31...Rxa2 32.h4 Re2 1.32/22
[Better is 32...Be6± 0.57/19]
33.Kh2 Be6 1.86/22
[33...Re6± 1.30/20]
34.Ndc3 0.49/21
[34.Nbc3+- 1.86/22 Bxc3 35.Nxc3]
34...Re1 1.15/20
[34...Rb2± 0.49/21]
35.Bg3 0.78/22
[⌓35.Nb5 1.15/20]
35...Rc1 1.20/21
[⌓35...Re3 0.78/22]

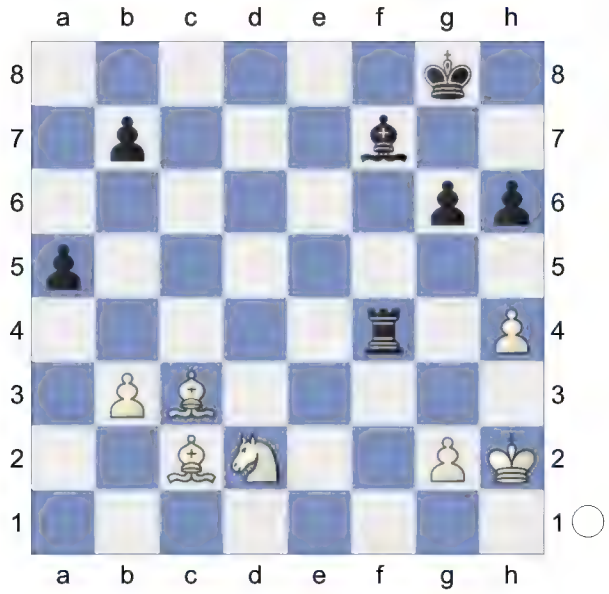


36.Ne2± Rc8 37.Nd4 Bf7 38.Bf5 0.92/22
[⌓38.Bxf7+ 1.51/20 Kxf7 39.Na3]
38...Rd8 39.Be5 -0.18/20
[White should try 39.Nb5± 0.62/22]
39...Rd5 1.21/22
[39...Bb6!= -0.18/20 40.Ne2 Bxb3]
40.f4 Bc7 2.41/20
[40...Bb4± 1.42/20 is a better defense. 41.Kg3 Bc5]

(Diagram)

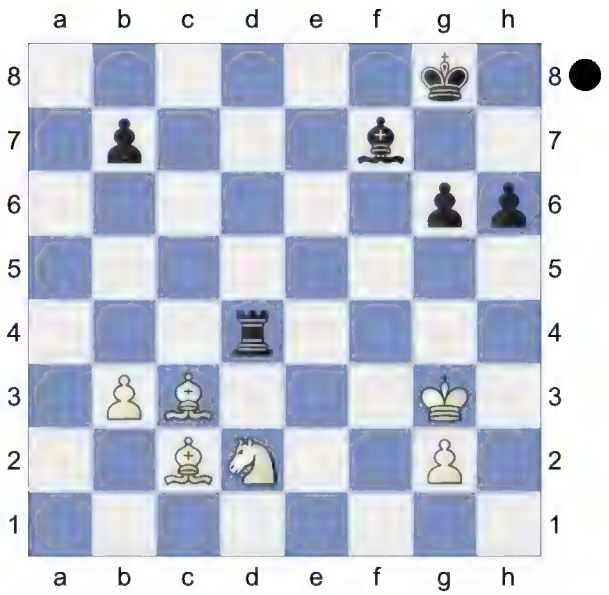


41.Bxc7+- And now Be5 would win.
41...Rxd4 42.Be5 Rb4 43.Nd2 g6 44.Bc2 a5 45.Bc3 Rxf4



46.Bxa5 1.54/22
[White should play 46.Kg3+- 2.97/22 g5 47.hxg5 *(47.Bxa5 Rxh4 48.Nf3 Rf4±)* 47...hxg5 48.Bxa5]
46...Rxh4+± 47.Kg3 Rd4 1.89/23
[47...g5± 1.12/19]
48.Bc3

(Diagram)



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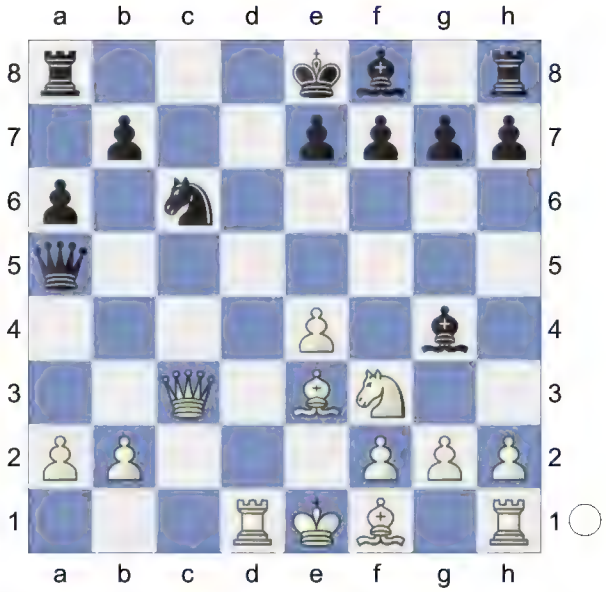
50 **D06**
□ **Caruana,F.** **2783**
■ **Nakamura,Hi** **2802**
American Cup Champ (4.2) 23.03.2025
[Kitty Kat]

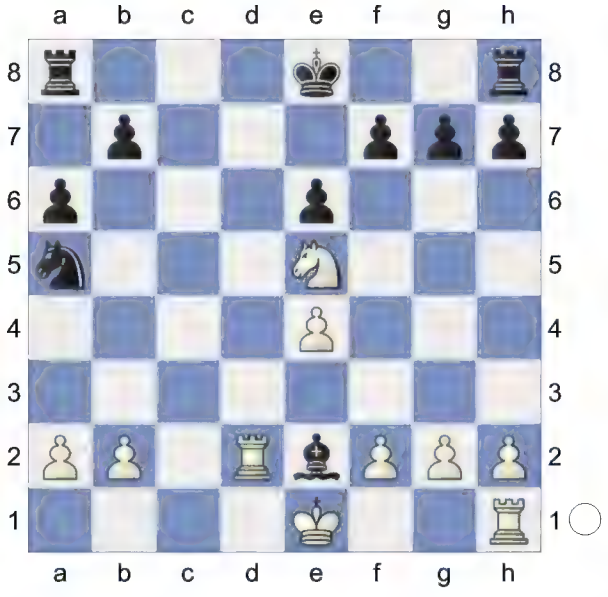
A34: Symmetrical English: 2 Nc3, lines with ...d5 Topalov,V: 'Inf 60/44' Inf 92/24 LesEchecs.com: 'A34: Ouverture anglaise (variante symétrique, système Rubinstein) ' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 cxd4**

6.Qxd4 Nxc3 7.Qxc3 Nc6 8.e4 a6
Prevents Bf1-b5.
[8...Bg4 9.Bb5 Rc8 10.Be3 a6 11.Rd1 Qc7 12.Ba4 *(12.Bxc6+ Qxc6 13.Qxc6+ Rxc6 14.Ne5 Bxd1 15.Nxc6 Bc2 16.Na5 Bxe4 17.f3 Bd5 18.Kf2 e6 19.Rc1 Kd7 20.Bf4 Bd6* Birkenheier,L (2414)-6.Bf4 Nbd7 7.e3 (2569) corr (Int. tn WCCF 1991*)* 12...b5 13.Bb3 e6 14.0-0 Bxf3 15.gxf3 Bd6 16.Qxg7 Bxh2+ 17.Kh1 Be5 18.Qh6 Qe7 19.Bg5 Qf8 20.Qh5 Nd4 21.Bh6 Qd6 22.Be3 Rc5 23.Qh3 1-0 Topalov,V (2640)-Beliavsky,A (2650) Linares 12th 1994 (9)]
9.Be3N 0.36/20
[9.Bc4± 0.75/20 Qa5 *(9...Bg4 10.0-0 e6 11.Ne5 Nxe5 12.Qxe5 Rc8 13.Bb3 Be2 14.Re1 Bb5 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Qh5+ g6 17.Qe5 Kf7 18.Qxh8 Qh4 19.Re3 Ke7 20.Bd2 Kd7 21.a4 Bc4 22.Rh3 Qxe4 23.Rxh7+ Kc6 24.Rh4* 1-0 Holmes,D (2606)-Sipaila,J (2525) Somerset 42/713 1986 (6)*)* 10.Bd2 Qxc3 11.Bxc3 e6 12.0-0 Rg8 13.Rfd1 b5 14.Bd3 f6 15.a4 b4 16.Bd4 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Bc5 18.Bc4 A 34/37 2000]
[9.Be2 e5 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Qb3 Be6 12.Bc4 Bxc4 13.Qxc4 Be7 14.Be3 Qd6 15.Rfd1 Qe6 16.Rac1 Qxc4 17.Rxc4 Rd8 18.Rd5 f6 19.Bb6 Rd7 20.Rc3 Bd8 21.Bc5 Be7 22.Rcd3 Rxd5 23.exd5 Bxc5 Gustafsson,J (2603)-Miezis,N (2524) Calvia (ol) 2004]
9...Bg4 10.Rd1 Repels e7-e5 **10...Qa5**



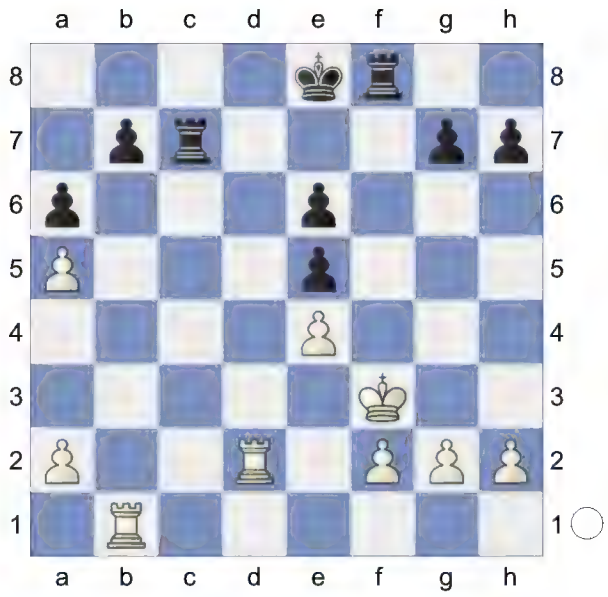
White is slightly better. **11.Qxa5 Nxa5**
Black is weak on the dark squares
12.Be2 e6
(Diagram)

13.Ne5! Bb4+ 14.Bd2 0.33/24
White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive.
[14.Kf1± 0.81/23 Bxe2+ 15.Kxe2]
14...Bxd2+± 15.Rxd2 Bxe2



16.Kxe2 f6 17.b4 fxe5 18.bxa5=
Endgame and Rh1-b1 should not be overlooked. KRR-KRR **18...Rc8 19.Rb1 Rc7 20.Kf3 Rf8+**

(Diagram)



21.Kg3 Rff7 22.Rdb2 Rfe7 23.Kg4 Kf7 24.h4 0.14/22
[24.Kh5± 0.56/23]
24...Kf6 0.64/23
[Black should play 24...Kg6= 0.14/22]
25.Kh5 0.01/24
[White should try 25.Rb3± 0.64/23]
25...h6!

The position is equal. **26.Rb3**

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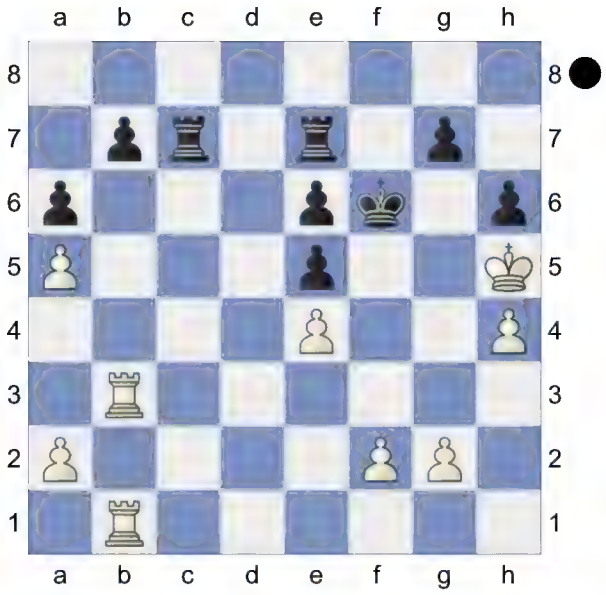
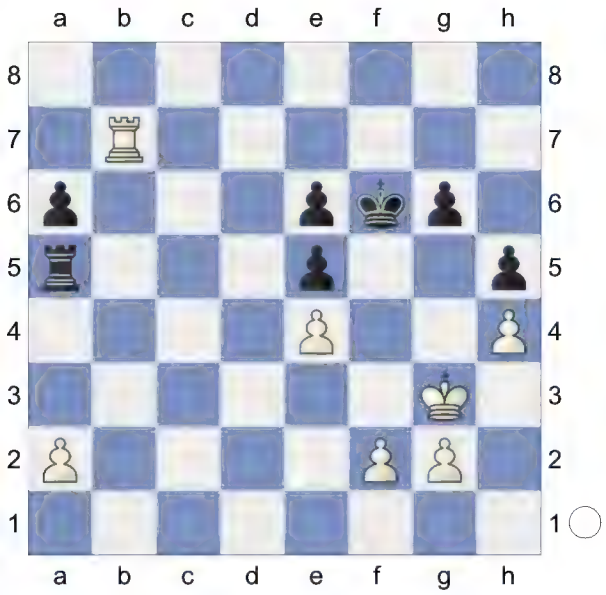


g6+ 27.Kg4 h5+ 28.Kg3 Rc5 29.Rxb7 Rxb7 30.Rxb7 Rxa5



KR-KR **31.Rb2 Ra3+ 32.f3 a5 33.Kh3 a4 34.Rc2 Rd3 35.Rc4 Ra3**

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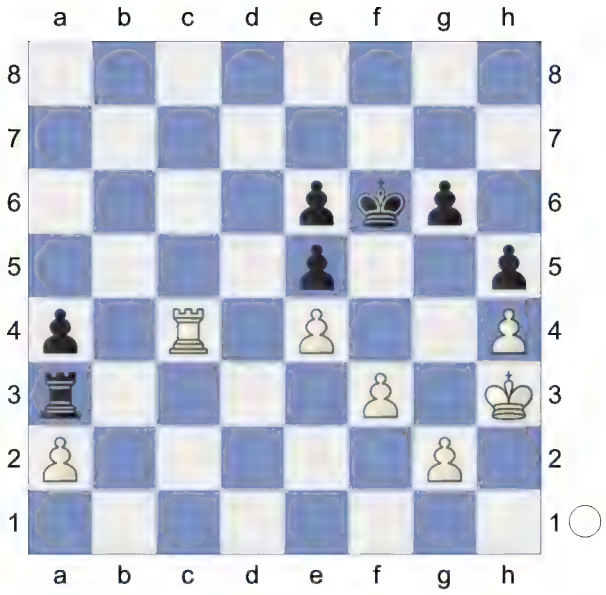
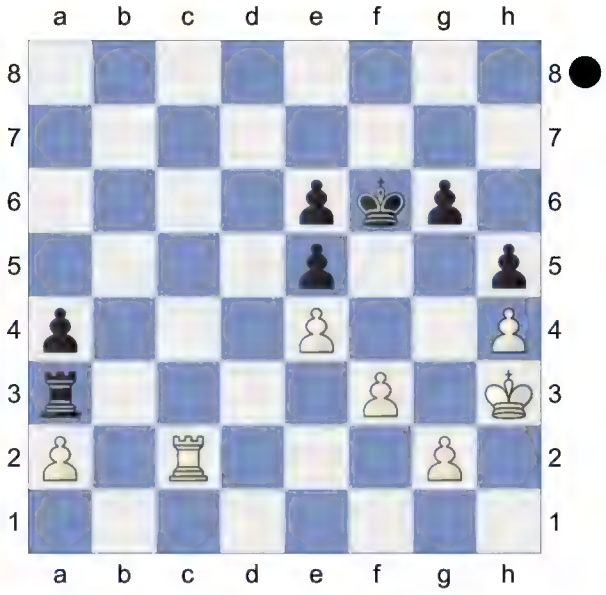


36.Rc2 Rd3 37.Rc4 Ra3 38.Rc2



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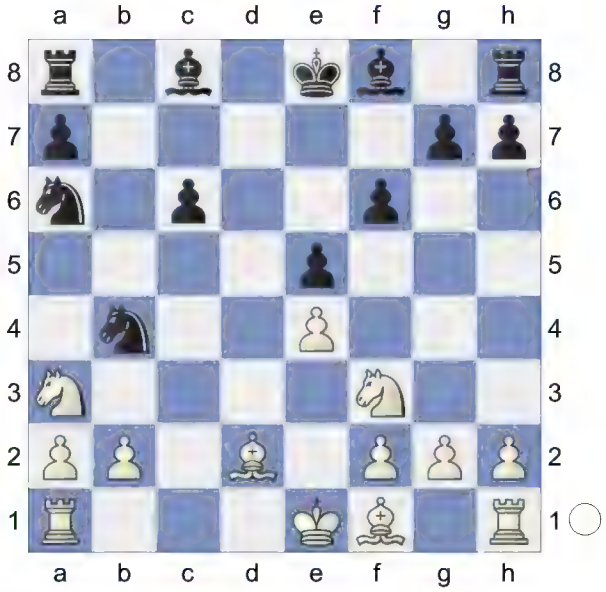
51 **D06**
□ **Dawn_In_Catalunya** **2781**
■ **Personal_Jesus** **2504**
Rapid 05.01.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.?d2 h6 10.?e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5

(Diagram)

6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 Inhibits Nc2+. **7...e5 8.Bd2** White is slightly better. **8...N8a6 9.Nf3 f6 10.c6 bxc6**



11.Rc1 Nxa2 12.Rxc6 N2b4 13.Rc1 Be6 14.Bb5+ Kf7 15.0-0 Be7

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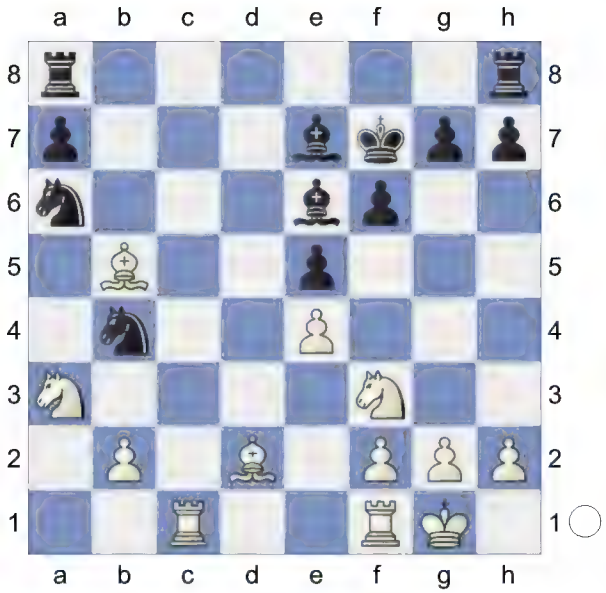
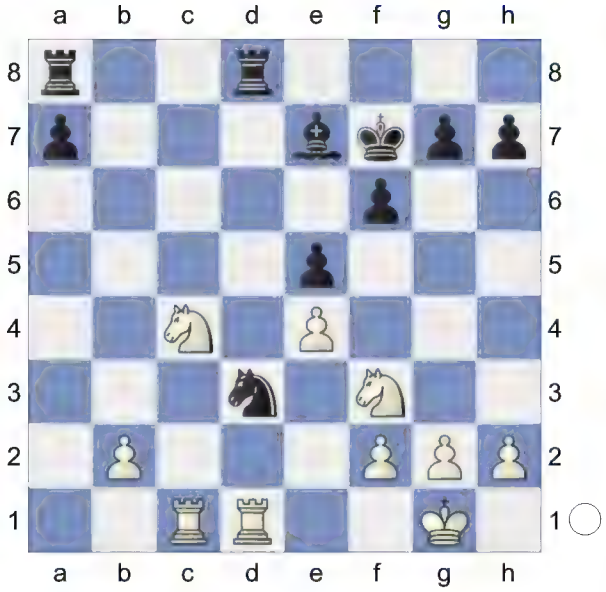


16.Rfd1 Rhd8 17.Bxb4 Nxb4 18.Bc4 Bxc4 19.Nxc4 Nd3? 2.03/21
[19...Rxd1+∓ -0.39/18 stays ahead. 20.Rxd1 Rc8]



20.Rxd3!+- Rxd3

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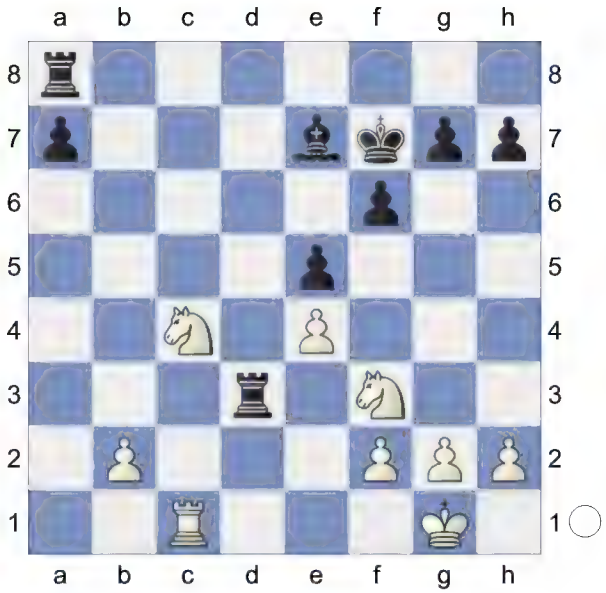
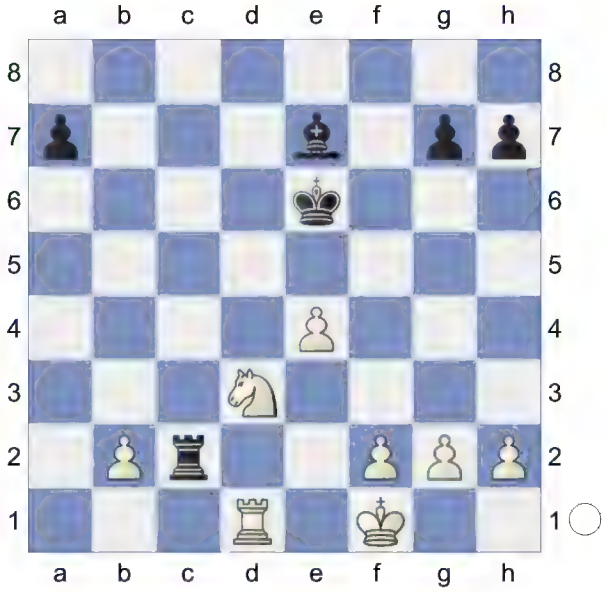


21.Nfxe5+! fxe5 22.Nxe5+ Ke6 23.Nxd3 Endgame KRB-KRN **23...Rd8 24.Rd1 Rc8 25.Kf1 Rc2**



26.f4 Black must now prevent Ra1.
26...a5 27.f5+ Kf6 28.h4 h5 29.g3 0.83/22
[29.b3+- 1.85/20 and White stays clearly on top.]
29...Bb4± 30.Rc1? -0.01/21
[30.Ra1+- 1.68/23]
30...Rxc1+=

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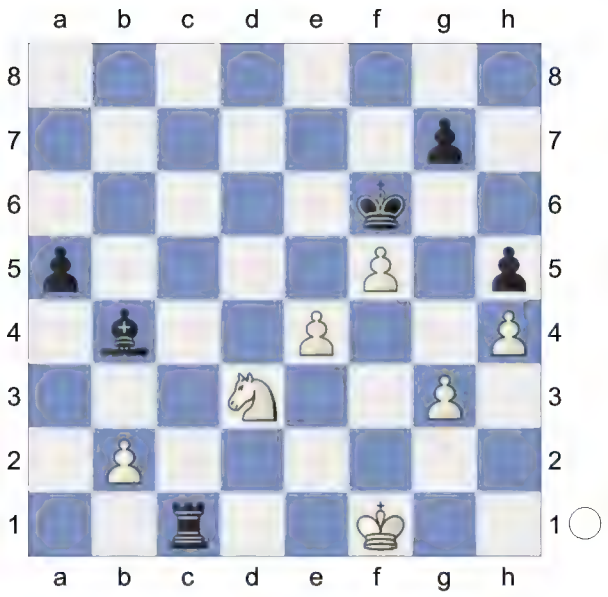
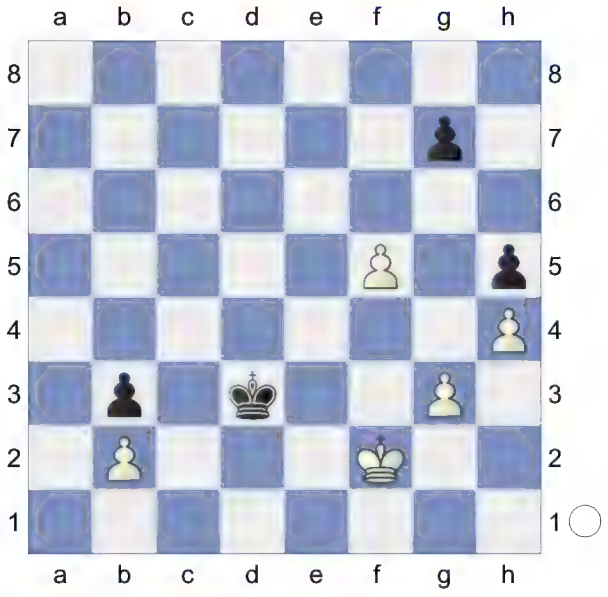


31.Nxc1 KB-KN **31...Ke5** **32.Nd3+** **Kxe4** **33.Nxb4** **axb4** KP-KP **34.Ke2** **b3** **35.Kf2!** **Kd3?** 2.70/27

[35...Kxf5= -0.01/26 36.Ke3 g5 37.hxg5 Kxg5]



36.f6+- **gxf6**

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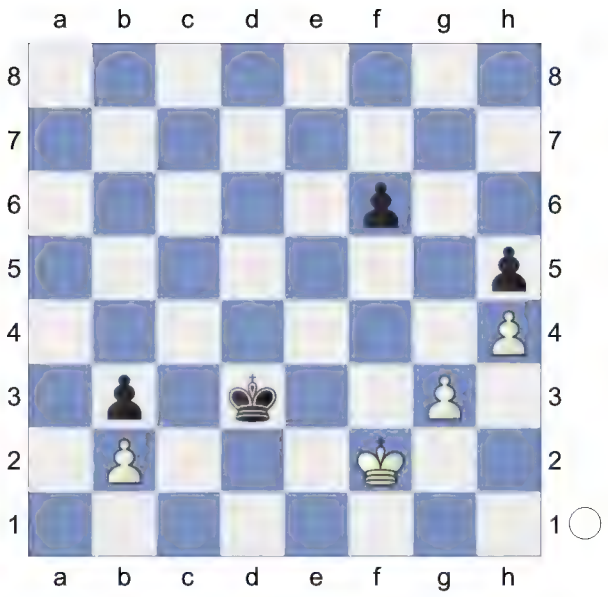


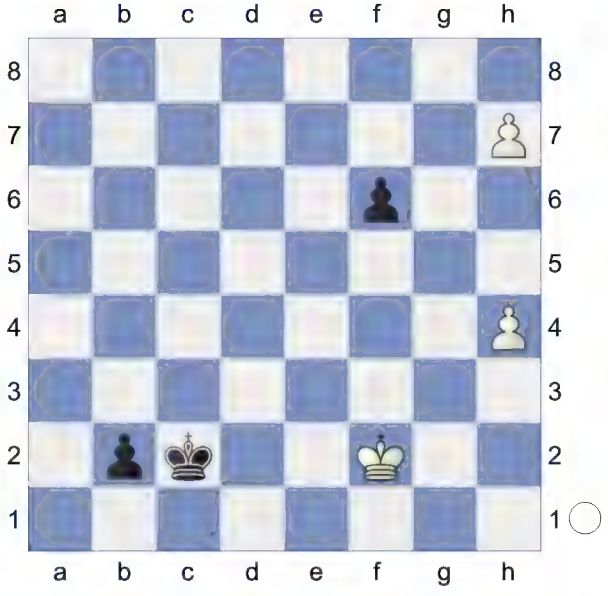
K3P-K3P **37.g4** **Kc2**

[37...hxg4? 38.h5+-]

38.gxh5 Threatening mate with h6. **38...Kxb2** **39.h6** Strongly threatening h7. **39...Kc2?** #17/22

[39...Kc3+- 2.55/22 40.h7 b2]

40.h7 White mates. **40...b2**



41.h8Q **b1Q** **42.Qh7+**

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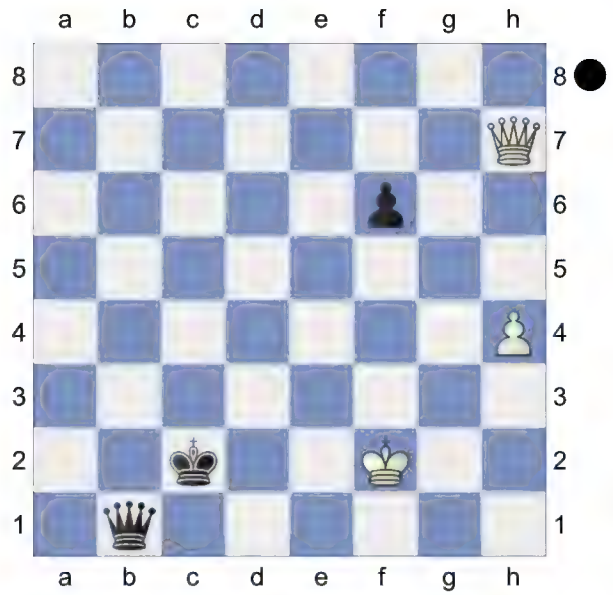

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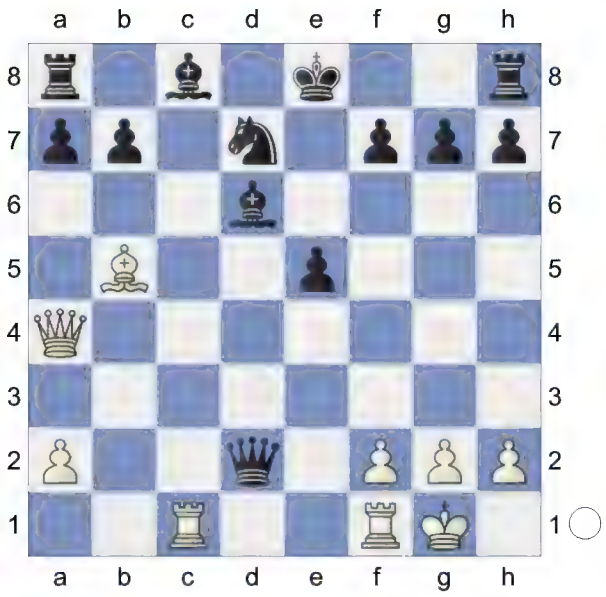
52 **D06**
□ **Laezee** **2780**
■ **Zayats71** **2752**
Blitz 29.03.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.?d2 h6 10.?e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.e4N
[5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 19.Rac1 g6 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
5...Nxc3

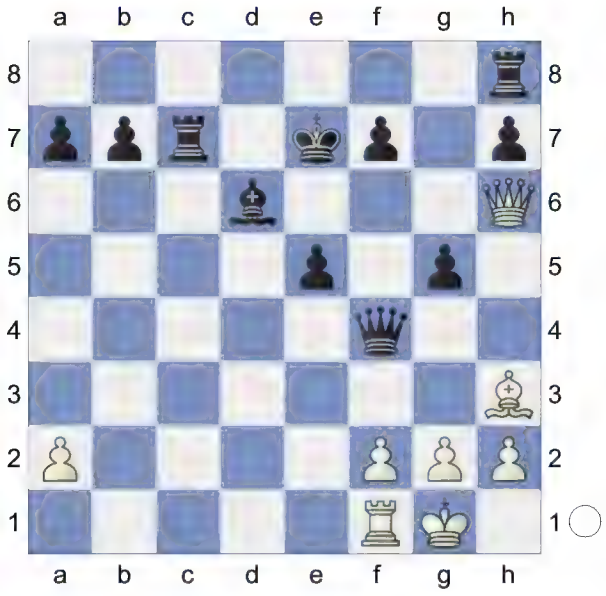
6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.d5
White has an edge. **8...Bd6 9.Bb5+** 0.01/20
[9.Ne2± 0.32/17]
9...Nd7=

...Qa5+ is the strong threat. **10.Ne2?** -2.80/21
[10.a4= 0.01/19 and White has nothing to worry.]
10...Qa5+-+

11.Nc3 Qxc3+ 12.Bd2 Qd4 13.0-0 Qxe4 14.Rc1 Qxd5 15.Qa4 -5.71/19
[⌓15.Bc4 -3.76/18 Qd4 16.Be3 Qxd1 17.Rfxd1]
15...Qxd2



Black is clearly winning. **16.Rxc8+ Rxc8 17.Bxd7+ Ke7 18.Bh3 Rc7** Inhibits Qd7+. **19.Qh4+ g5 20.Qh6 Qf4**



21.Rd1 Qf6 22.Qxf6+ Kxf6 23.Rxd6+ Endgame KRR-KRB **23...Ke7**

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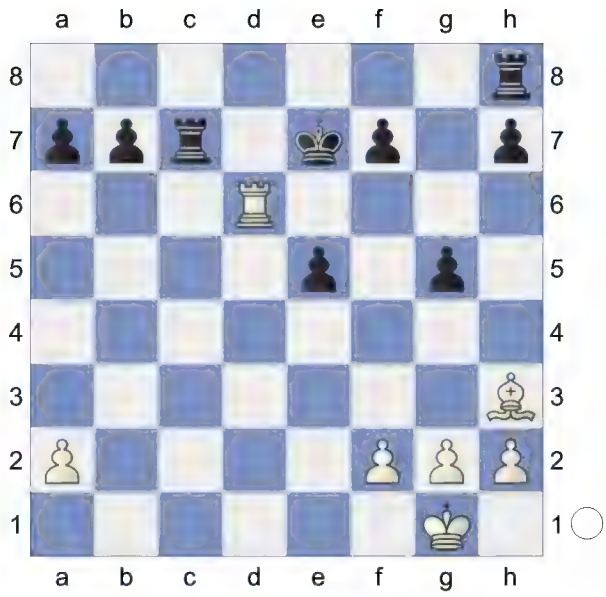
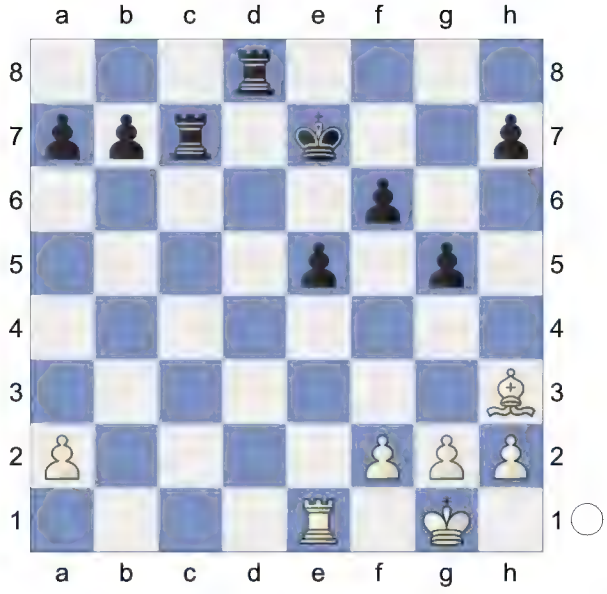


(→ ...Rc1+) **24.Rd1** Inhibits Rc1. **24...Rd8 25.Re1 f6**



26.Bf5 h5 27.h3 Rd4 28.g4 h4 29.Kg2 b5 30.Re3 b4

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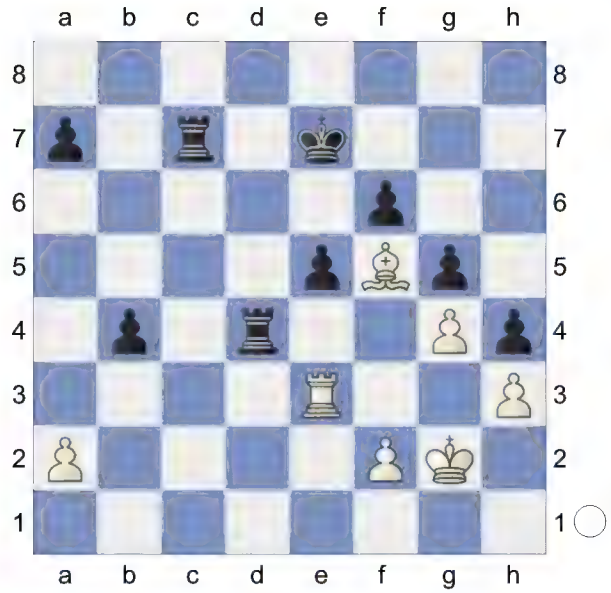
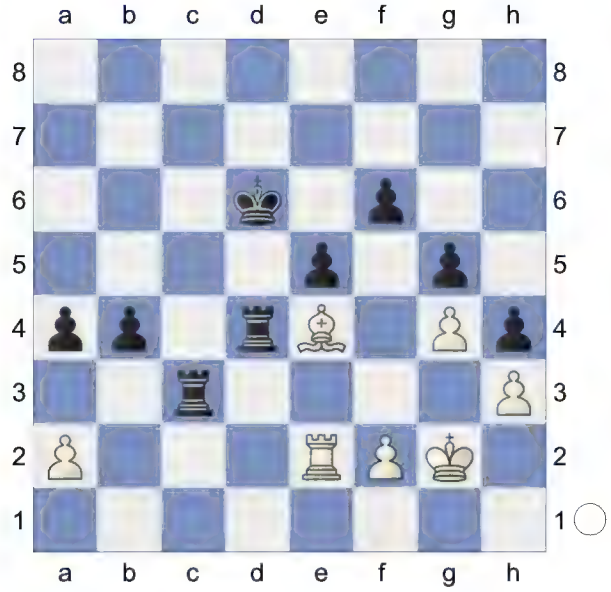


31.Re2 Rc3 32.Re1 a5 Threatens to win with ...Rd2. **33.Re2 Kd6 34.Be4 a4**



White got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=1.27/ Black=0.53

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53 **A34**
□ **Ding,Liren** **2762**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2794**
12. Norway Chess 2024 (5.2) 01.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

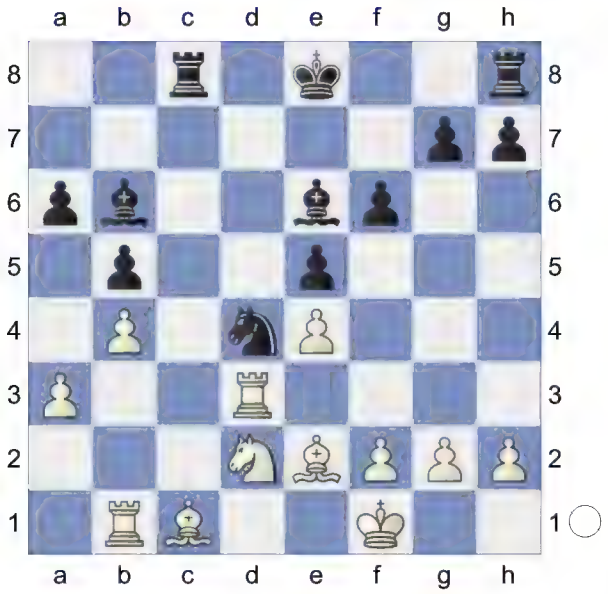
A34: Symmetrical English: 2 Nc3, lines with ...d5 Inf 92/24 LesEchecs.com: 'A34: Ouverture anglaise (variante symétrique, système Rubinstein) ' Topalov,V: 'Inf 60/44' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 cxd4**

6.Qxd4 Nxc3 7.Qxc3 Nc6 8.e4 a6 Wards off Bf1-b5
[8...Bg4 9.Bb5 Rc8 10.Be3 a6 11.Rd1 Qc7 12.Ba4 *(12.Bxc6+ Qxc6 13.Qxc6+ Rxc6 14.Ne5 Bxd1 15.Nxc6 Bc2 16.Na5 Bxe4 17.f3 Bd5 18.Kf2 e6 19.Rc1 Kd7 20.Bf4 Bd6* Birkenheier,L (2414)-6.Bf4 Nbd7 7.e3 (2569) corr (Int. tn WCCF 1991*)* 12...b5 13.Bb3 e6 14.0-0 Bxf3 15.gxf3 Bd6 16.Qxg7 Bxh2+ 17.Kh1 Be5 18.Qh6 Qe7 19.Bg5 Qf8 20.Qh5 Nd4 21.Bh6 Qd6 22.Be3 Rc5 23.Qh3 1-0 Topalov,V (2640)-Beliavsky,A (2650) Linares 12th 1994 (9)]
9.Be2 e5 10.a3N Against Bf8-b4
[10.Nxe5? Bb4 11.Nxc6 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Qc7-+ *(12...bxc6? 13.Be3-+)*]
[10.0-0 Bb4 11.Qb3 Be6 12.Bc4 Bxc4 13.Qxc4 Be7 14.Be3 Qd6 15.Rfd1 Qe6 16.Rac1 Qxc4 17.Rxc4 Rd8 18.Rd5 f6 19.Bb6 Rd7 20.Rc3 Bd8 21.Bc5 Be7 22.Rcd3 Rxd5 23.exd5 Bxc5 24.dxc6 bxc6 Gustafsson,J (2603)-Miezis,N (2524) Calvia (ol) 2004]
10...Bg4

White has an edge. **11.0-0** 0.06/20
[11.Nxe5 Bxe2 12.Kxe2 Nd4+ 13.Kf1 Rc8∓]
[11.Be3± 0.48/19]
11...Rc8 12.Qb3 -0.47/21
[12.Bc4± 0.31/19]
12...Na5∓ 13.Qa4+ b5 14.Qd1 Qxd1 15.Rxd1 Nb3

(Diagram)

16.Rb1 Bc5 17.Kf1 f6↑ Keeping White busy. **18.Rd3 Be6 19.Nd2 Nd4** Black is much more active. **20.b4 Bb6**



21.Bb2 Nxe2 22.Kxe2

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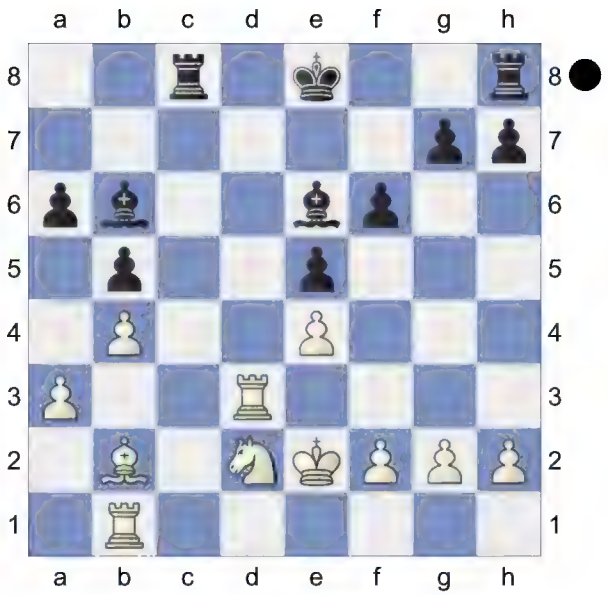
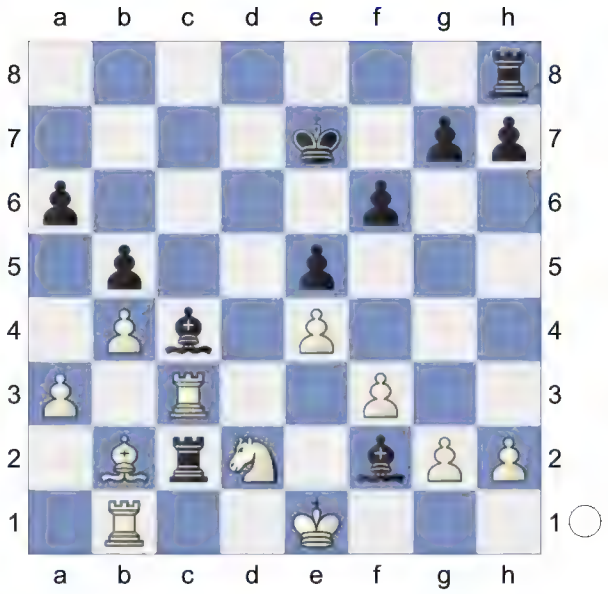


Ke7 Against Rd3-d6 **23.f3** -2.28/22
[23.Rc3∓ -1.15/22]
23...Rc2 24.Rc3 Bc4+ -0.84/23
[⌓24...Rxc3 -1.56/24 25.Bxc3 h5]
25.Ke1∓ Bf2+

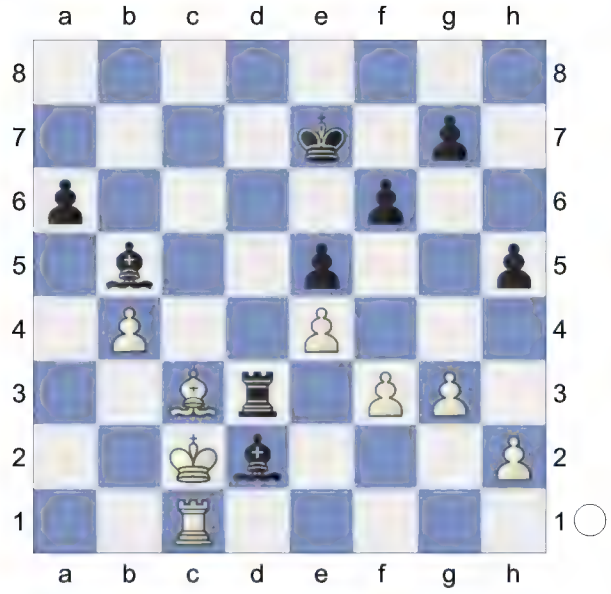


Decoy. A strong pair of Bishops. **26.Kd1** -2.06/26
[26.Kxf2∓ -0.79/24 was forced. Rxd2+ 27.Kg1]
26...Rxc3-+ 27.Bxc3 Rd8 28.Ra1 Bf1 29.g3 -2.32/21
[⌓29.a4 -1.63/23]
29...Be3 30.a4 -3.06/22

[⌓30.Ke1 -1.99/22 Bg2 31.Ke2 Bxd2 Remove Defender 32.Bxd2 Bxf3+ Deflection 33.Kxf3 Rxd2 34.a4]

30...bxa4

31.Rxa4 Bb5 32.Ra1 Rd3 33.Rc1 h5 34.Kc2 Bxd2



Remove Defender **35.Bxd2 Rxf3**

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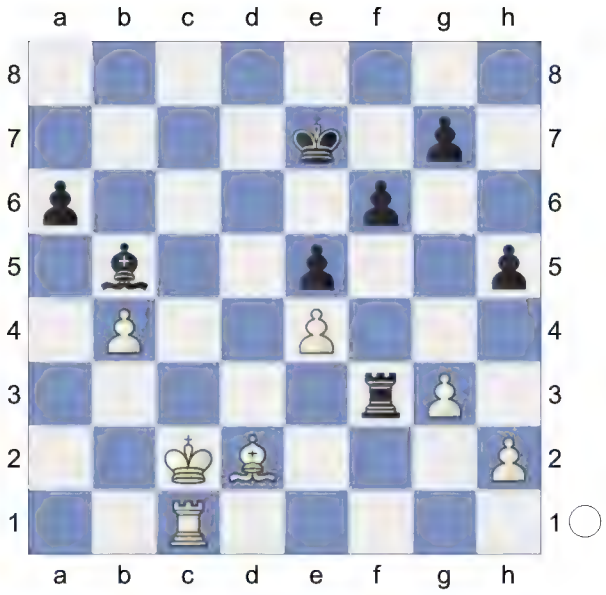
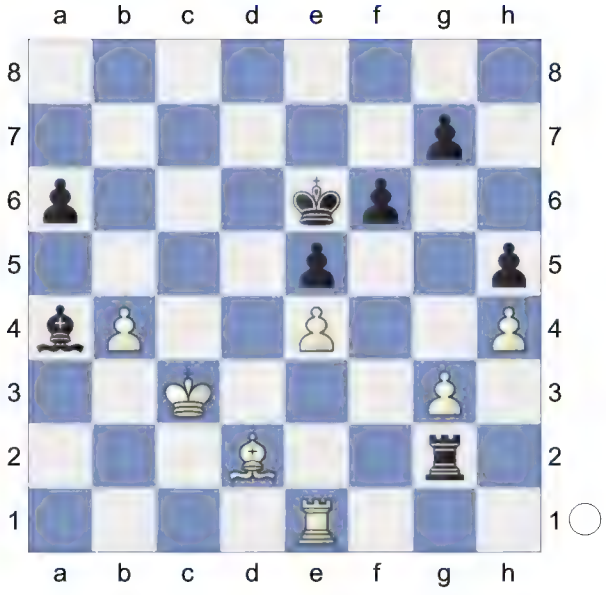


Endgame KRB-KRB. Black is a pawn up.

36.Re1 Bc6 37.Re3 Rf2 38.h4 Ba4+ 39.Kc3 Ke6 40.Re1 -2.10/28

[40.Be1∓ -1.46/25 Rc2+ 41.Kd3]

40...Rg2



41.Re3 g6 42.Be1 Bb5 43.Kb3 Be2 44.Bc3 Rf2 -1.06/26

[⌓44...Kd6 -1.53/25 45.Kc2 Bb5+ 46.Kc1 Ke6]

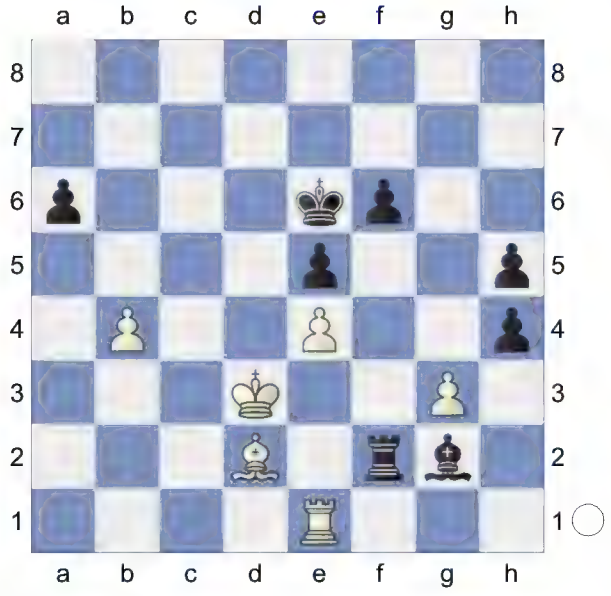
45.Kc2 -1.53/25

[White should try 45.Ka4 -1.06/26]

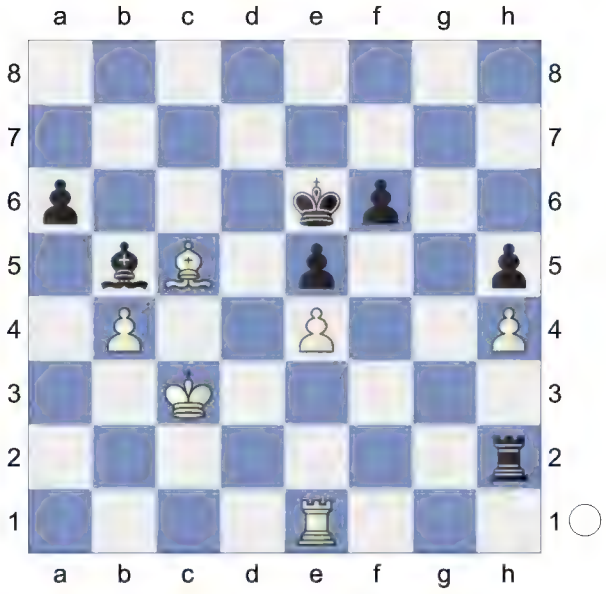
45...Bg4+

(Diagram)

46.Bd2 Be2 0.01/23
[46...Ke7∓ -1.43/23 Hoping for ...g6-g5. 47.Ra3 Bf3 48.Rxa6 Bxe4+ 49.Kd1 Bd3]
47.Bc3!= Bf3+ 48.Kd3 Bg2 49.Re1 g5 50.Bd2 -2.01/26
[50.hxg5∓ -1.27/23 fxg5 51.Ra1]
50...gxh4-+



51.gxh4 Bf1+ -1.23/26
[51...Rf3+-+ -2.07/24 52.Re3 Bf1+ 53.Kc3 Rf2]
52.Kc3 -2.21/26
[52.Ke3∓ -1.23/26 was called for. Rf4 53.Ra1]
52...Be2 53.Be3 Rh2 54.Bc5 Bb5



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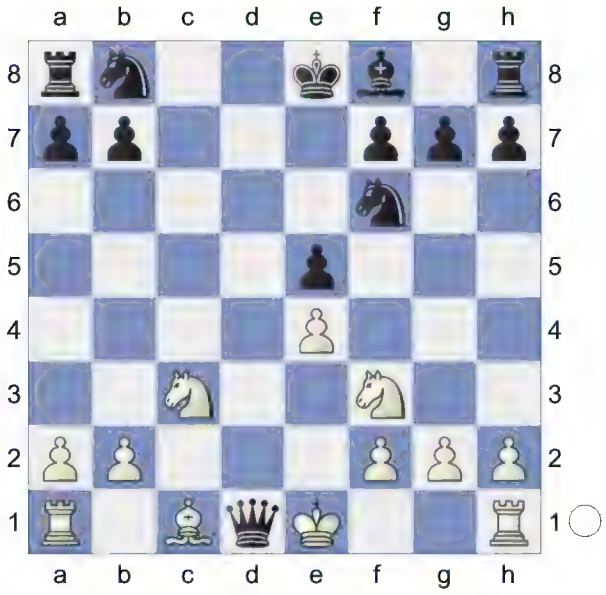
54 **D06**
□ **Aggressive-Python** **2762**
■ **Multibrendovyi** **2747**
Blitz 08.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Browne,W: 'Inf 33/490' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5**

6.e4 Nf6 7.Nc3 e5 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.Bxd7+
[9.Nf5 Bxb5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Nxb5 Nxe4 12.Be3 g6 13.f3 gxf5 14.fxe4 Nd7 15.exf5 Bb4+ 16.Ke2 a6 17.Nc3 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rg8 19.g3 Rg4 20.Rhd1 Rc8 21.Rd5 Ke8 22.Rad1 Rc7 23.Bc1 Ra4 0-1 Narayanan,S (2647)-Madaminov,M (2501) Qatar Masters Open 2024 (6.13)]
9...Qxd7 10.Nf3N -0.08/21
[10.Nc2± 0.32/21 is superior. Qxd1+ 11.Kxd1 Nc6 12.Bg5 Nd7 *(12...Bb4 13.Nxb4 Nxb4 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Ke2 Rd8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Rac1 Rg8 18.g3 Ke7 19.Ke3 Ke6 20.Na4 Kd6 21.Rhd1+ Kc7 22.Rd5 Rd6 23.Nc3 a6 24.Rxd6 Kxd6 25.Rd1+ Ke7 26.Nd5+ Ke6 27.Nc7+* 1-0 Moroni,L (2553)-Bertagnolli,A (2358) ITA-chT T9 51st 2019 (1.6)) 13.Nd5 Rc8 Chapter-(Centralized knights system)]
10...Qxd1+=



11.Nxd1 -0.55/18
[11.Kxd1= 0.01/20 Nbd7 12.a3]
11...Nc6 12.0-0 -1.47/20
[White should play 12.Nc3∓ -0.61/18]
12...Bc5 -0.14/19
[Black should try 12...Nxe4∓ -1.47/20 And now ...f7-f6 would win. 13.Re1 f5]
13.Nc3 h6 Prevents Bc1-g5. **14.Nd5 Nxd5**
[14...Nxe4?! 15.Nc7+ Kd7 16.Nxa8±]
15.exd5 Nb4

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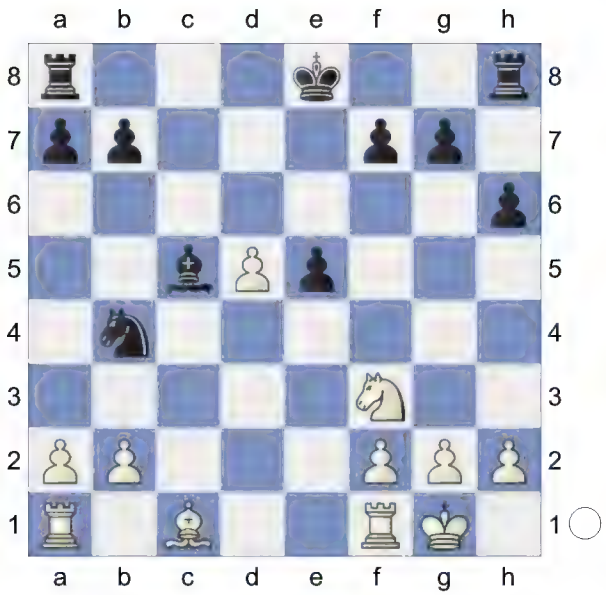
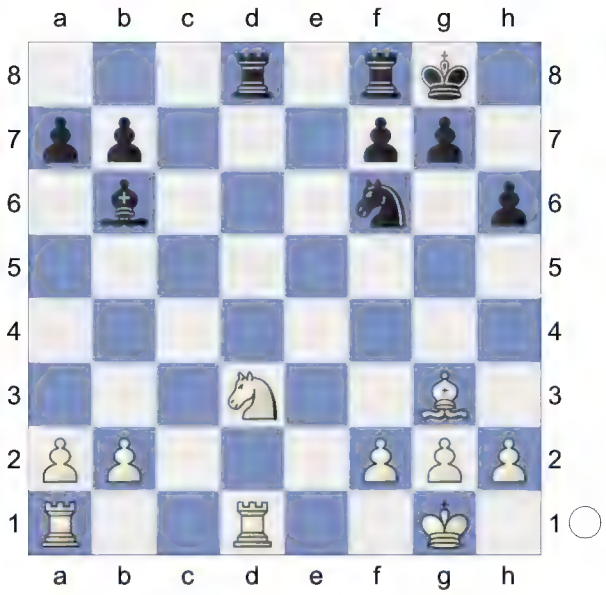


16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.Bf4 Nxd5 18.Bg3 0-0 19.Rfd1 Nf6 20.Nd3 Bb6



21.Kf1 Rfe8 Black is more active.
22.Nb4 Bd4 23.Rab1 a5 -0.13/19
[23...Ne4∓ -0.61/20]
24.Nc2 Bb6 25.Rxd8 Rxd8

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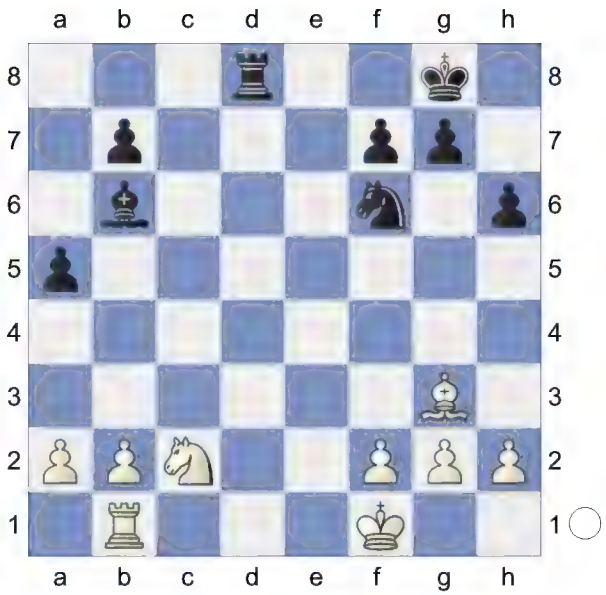
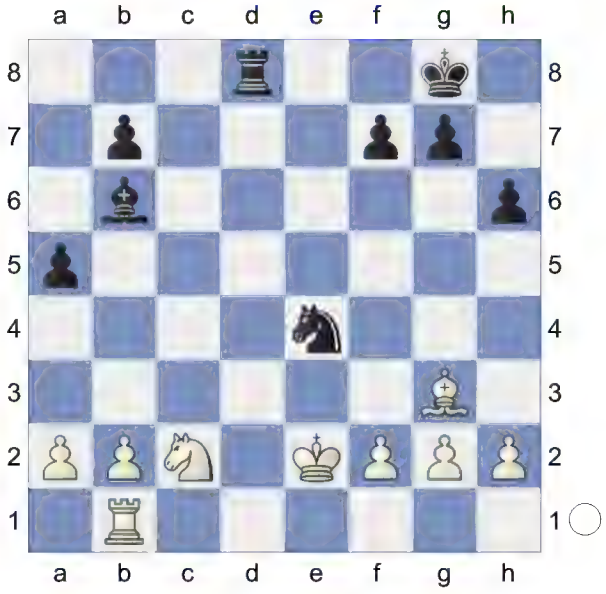


26.Ke2 -0.95/21 Prevents Rd8-d2+
[26.Re1= -0.17/21 remains equal.]
26...Ne4∓



27.f3? -5.39/22
[27.Rd1∓ -0.99/20 is more resistant.]
27...Rd2+-+ Black is clearly winning.
28.Kf1 Nxg3+ 29.hxg3 Rxc2

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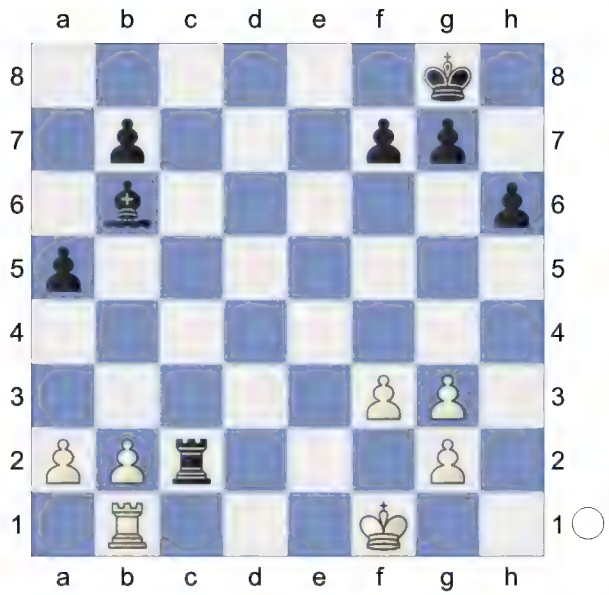

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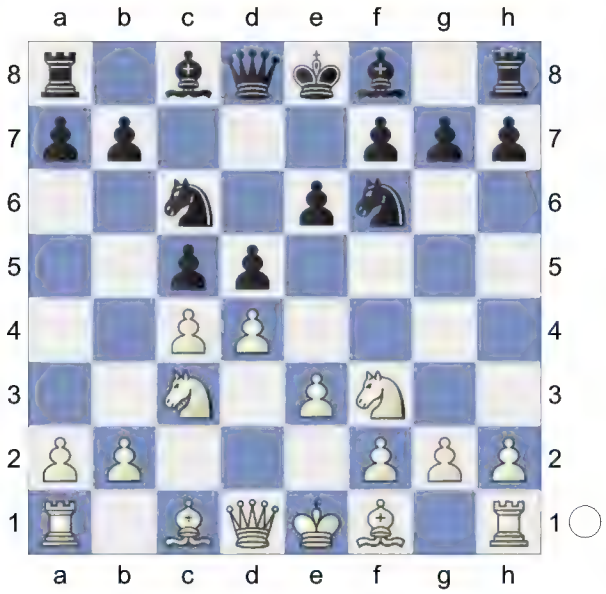
55 **D40**
□ **Naka_Fear** **2761**
■ **K-Georgiev** **2816**
Blitz 22.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D40: Queen's Gambit Declined: Semi-Tarrasch with 5 e3 D40: Gambit Dame (défense semi-Tarrasch) **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Nf3 Nc6**



6.a3 a6 7.Bd3 dxc4 8.Bxc4 b5 9.Ba2 Bb7 10.0-0 Be7
[10...Qc7 11.Qe2 Rd8 12.Rd1 Be7 13.dxc5 ½-½ Bagheri,A (2537)-Kosten,A (2522) France (championnat masculin) 2005 (1)]

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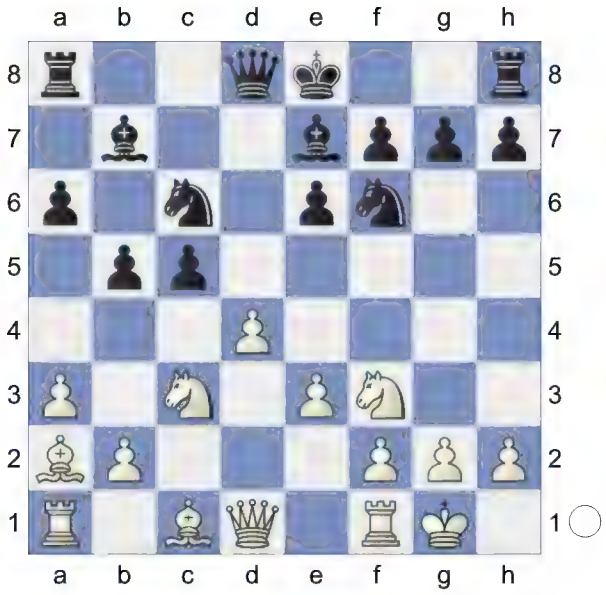
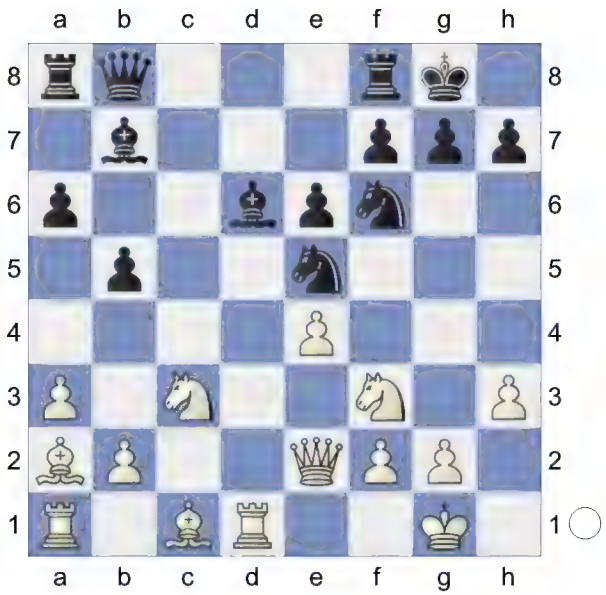
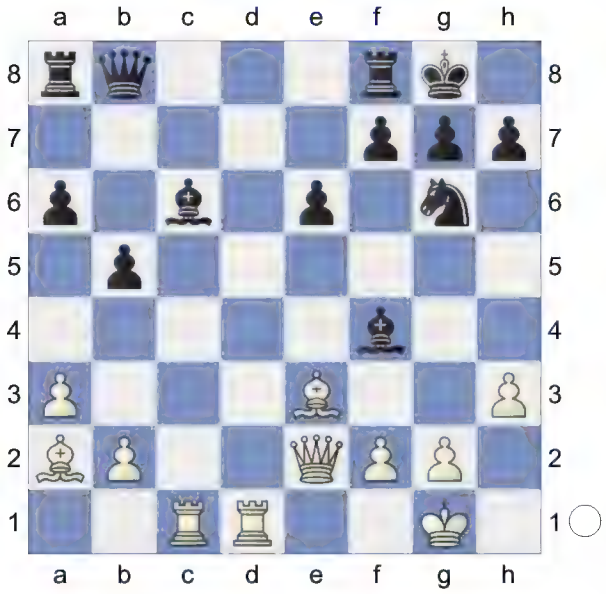


11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.Qe2N
[12.b4 Bd6 13.Bb2 0-0 14.Rc1 Ne5 15.Nxe5 Bxe5 16.Qe2 Qe7 17.Rfd1 Rac8 18.h3 Rc6 19.Na4 Bxb2 20.Nxb2 Rfc8 21.Rxc6 Rxc6 22.Qd2 g6 23.Bb3 Kg7 24.Qd4 Qc7 25.Nd3 Rd6 26.Qa1 a5 1-0 Cruz,H (2353)-Voiculescu,F (2304) corr USA-ROU 2013 [5] 27.Nc5 Rxd1+ 28.Bxd1 Bd5 29.Be2 Bc6 30.Nb3 axb4 31.axb4 e5 32.Qc3 ½-½ Cruz,C (2522)-Krishnan,V (2378) CAN Transnational op 2023 (8)]
12...Bd6 Black has an edge. **13.Rd1 Qb8 14.e4 Ne5** Strongly threatening ... Ne5xf3+. **15.h3 0-0**

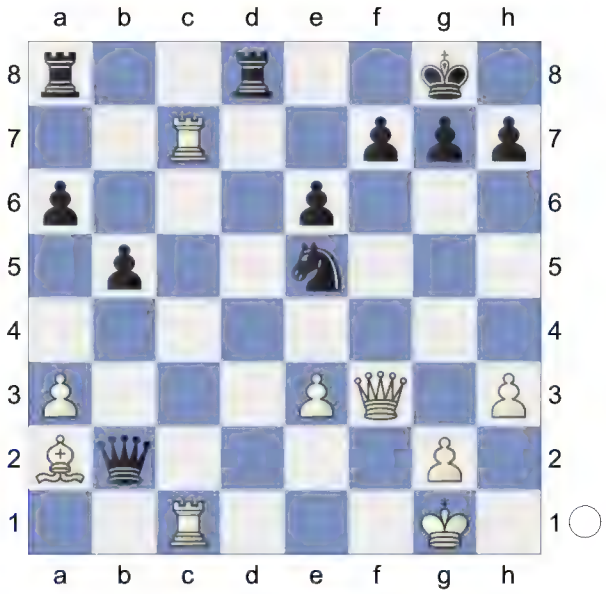
(Diagram)



16.Nd4 Ng6 17.Be3 -0.83/23
[17.Nf3∓ -0.47/17]
17...Nxe4∓ 18.Nxe4 Bxe4 19.Rac1 -1.15/20
[19.Qg4∓ -0.68/21 is more appropriate. Bb7 20.Nb3]
19...Bf4 0.24/22
[19...Bh2+∓ -1.15/20 20.Kh1 Bf4]
20.Nc6 -0.97/22
[20.Bxf4= 0.24/22 Qxf4 21.g3]
20...Bxc6



21.Rxc6 Rd8 -0.44/21
[21...Bxe3∓ -1.08/20 22.Qxe3 Ne7]
22.Rdc1 -1.42/21
[22.Rxd8+!∓ -0.44/21 Qxd8 23.Bb6]
22...Qe5 -1.03/20
[22...Ne7 -1.42/21 23.Bxf4 Qxf4]
23.Qf3 -2.50/22
[23.R6c5∓ -1.03/20 Qf6 24.R5c3]
23...Bxe3-+
[23...Qxb2 24.Bxe6 fxe6 25.Bxf4∓]
24.fxe3 Qxb2 25.Rc7 Ne5
[25...Qxa2 26.Qxf7+ Kh8 27.Qxg7#]



26.Qe4 Qxa2 0.73/23
[Better is 26...Nc4-+ -2.89/22 27.Rc2 Qa1+ *(27...Qxa3? 28.Bxc4 bxc4 29.R2xc4-+)* 28.Kh2 Nd6 *(28...Nxa3 29.Rf2±)*]

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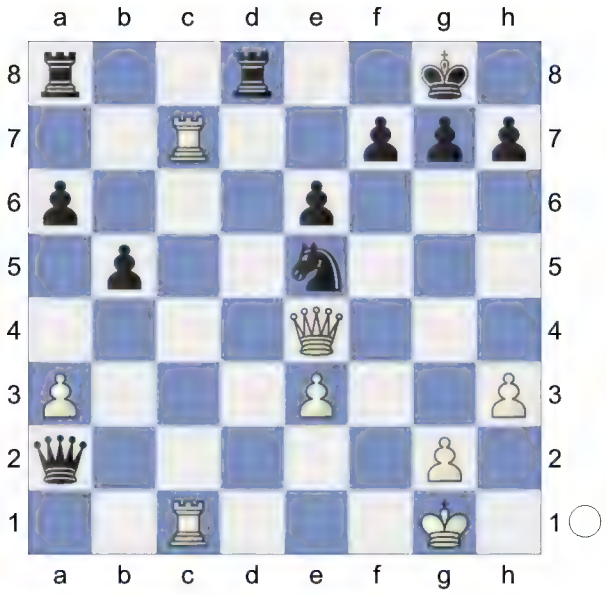

27.Qxa8!± Double Attack **27...Rf8** 2.59/25
[27...Qd2± 0.80/25 was necessary. 28.Qxd8+ Qxd8]
28.Rc8→ Black is in trouble.
[28.Qxa6?! Qd2+-]
28...Ng6
[28...Qxa3? 29.Rxf8+ Qxf8 30.Rc8+- *(30.Qxa6 Nc4+-)*]
29.Qxa6 Qe2? 5.59/26
[29...h6 2.32/25 30.Qxb5 Qxa3]
30.Qb6 h5 7.62/22
[⌓30...Qd3 4.68/24 31.R1c3 Qd1+ 32.Kh2 Qd5 33.Rxf8+ Nxf8]

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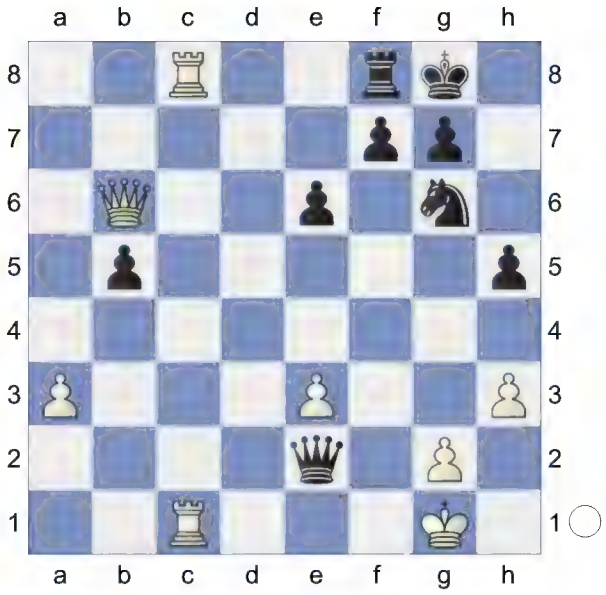
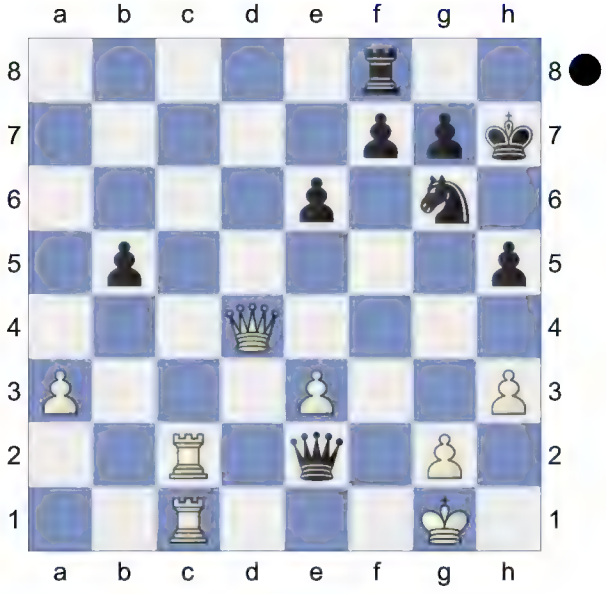


31.Qd4? 1.39/24
[31.Rxf8++- 7.62/22 is the precise move to win. Nxf8 32.Rc8]
31...Kh7? 5.22/23
[31...Rxc8± 1.39/24 is tougher. 32.Rxc8+ Kh7]
32.R8c2



Trapped Piece **32...e5 33.Rxe2 exd4 34.exd4** Endgame KRR-KRN **34...Rd8 35.Rd2 Nf4**

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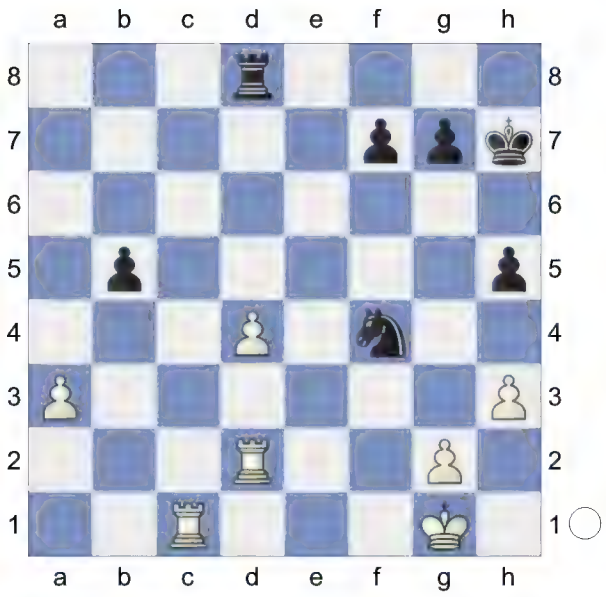
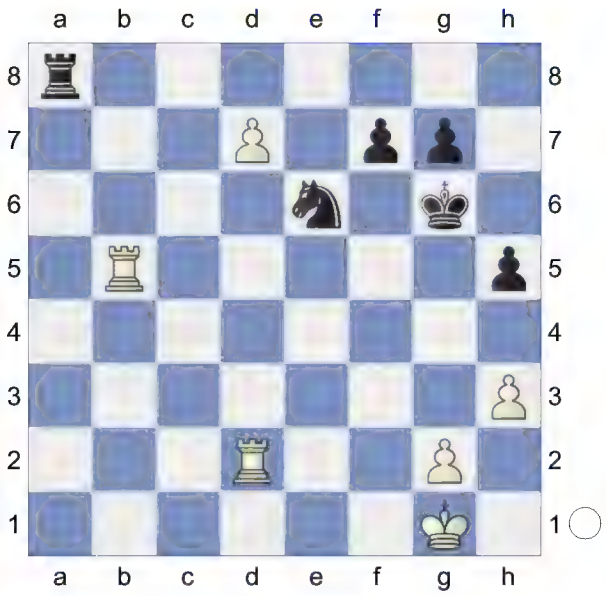


36.Rc5 Ra8 37.d5 Kg6 38.d6 Ne6 39.Rxb5 Rxa3 40.d7 3.16/26
[⌓40.Rb8 7.46/22]
40...Ra8



41.Re5 Rd8 42.Kh2 Kf6 3.56/27
[⌓42...h4 2.45/28 43.Kg1 *(43.Re4 Kf6±)* 43...Kf6]
43.Rxh5 Ke7 44.Rhd5 Nf8 45.g4 Rxd7

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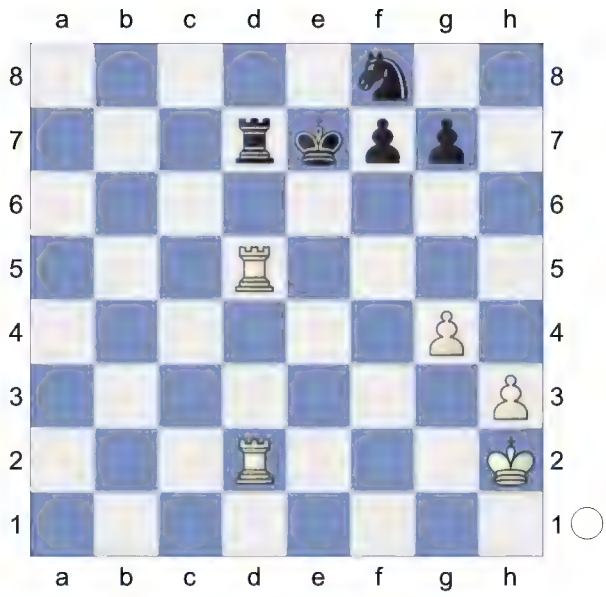
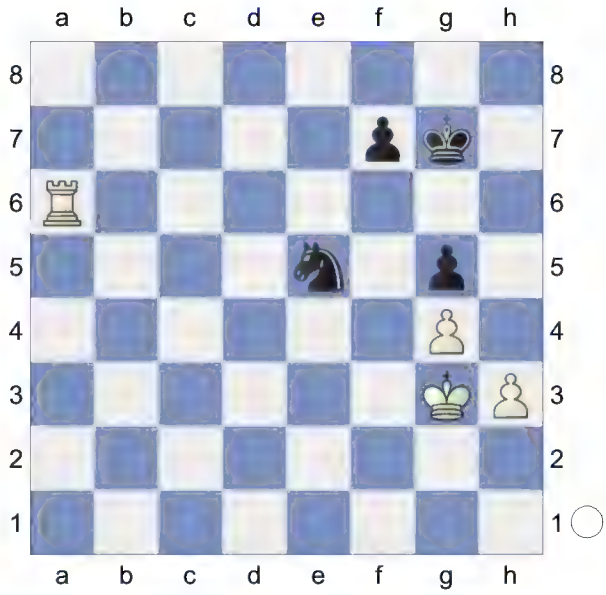


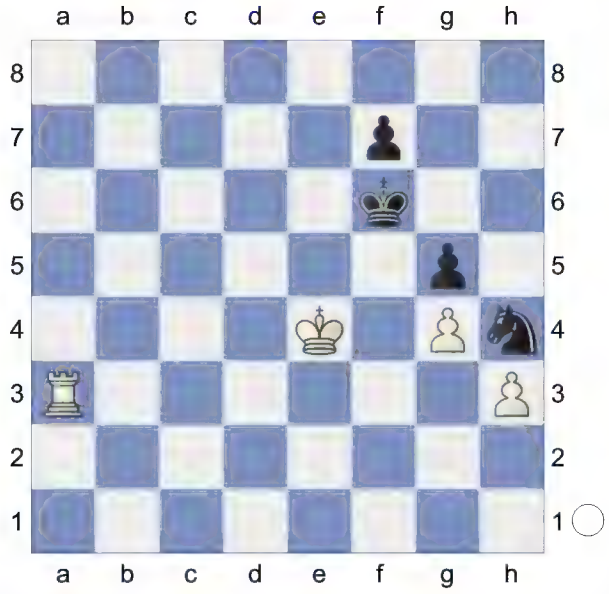
46.Rxd7+ Nxd7 KR-KN **47.Kg3 g5?** 6.33/30
[47...g6 2.58/22 48.Re2+ Kf8]
48.Re2+ Kf6 49.Ra2? 1.93/32
[49.Kf3 6.68/29 Nc5 50.Rb2]
49...Kg7? 7.35/28
[49...Ne5 1.93/32 50.Ra6+ Ke7]
50.Ra6? 1.94/30
[50.Ra5 7.35/28 Kg6 51.Kf3]
50...Ne5



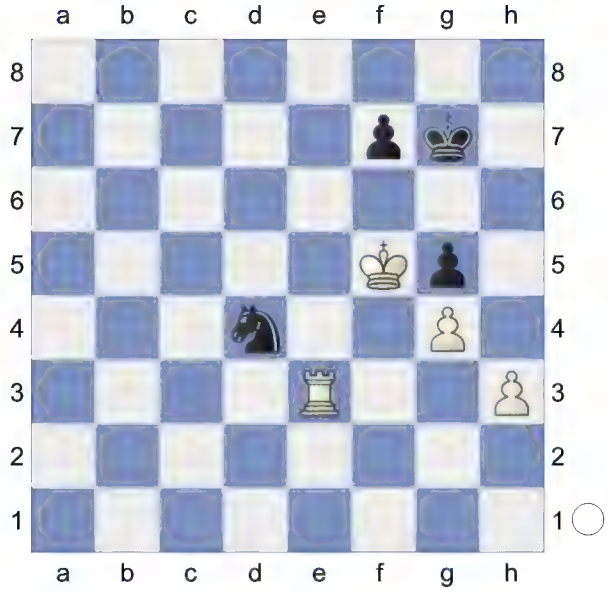
51.Kf2 Ng6 52.Ra3 Nf4 53.Kg3 Ng6
54.Kf3 Ra3-a7 would now be deadly.
54...Kf6? 10.66/29

[54...f6 2.13/29 55.Ra7+ Kf8]

55.Ke4 Nh4



56.Ra6+ Kg7 57.Ke5 Ng2 58.Kf5 Nf4 59.Ra3 Ne6 60.Re3 Re3xe6 would kill now. **60...Nd4+**



61.Kxg5 Nc6 62.Kf5 Nb4 63.Kf4 Nd5+ 64.Kf3 Nxe3 65.Kxe3 f5

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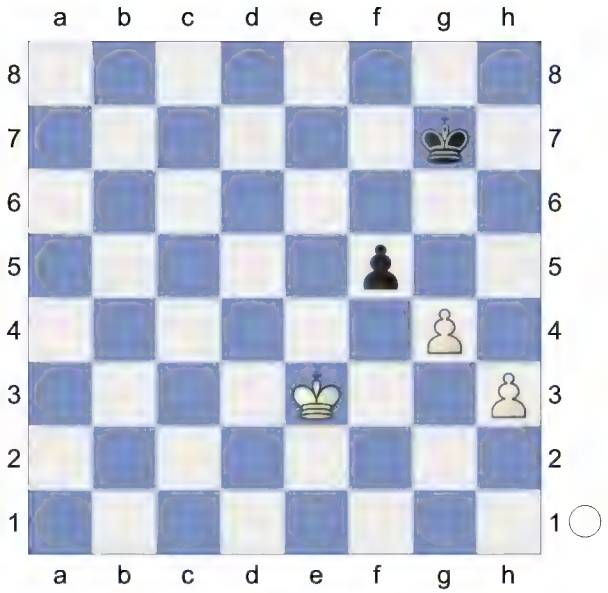
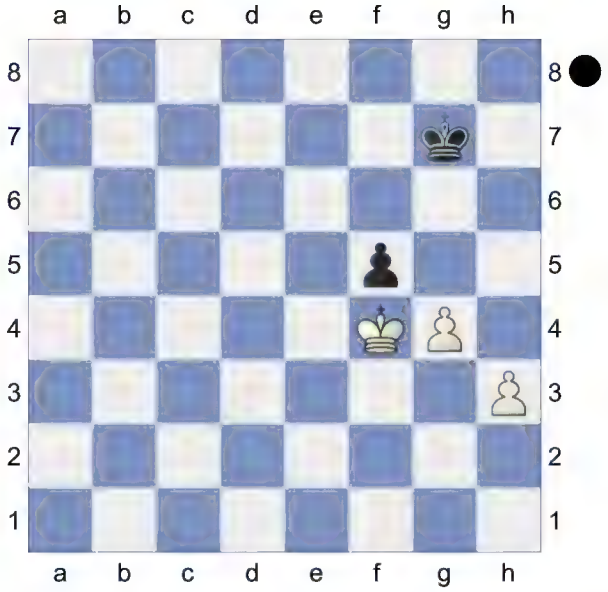


66.Kf4? 0.00/61

[66.g5 #14/30 mates Kf7 67.Kf4 Kg6 68.h4 Kg7 69.Kxf5 Kg8 70.h5 Kg7 71.h6+ Kh7 72.Kf6]



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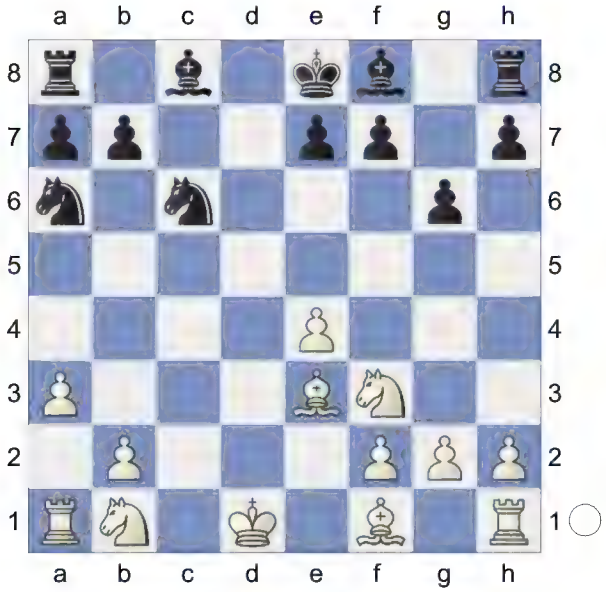
56 **D06**
□ **So,Wesley** **2751**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2802**
Saint Louis Blitz 2024 (17.2) 16.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

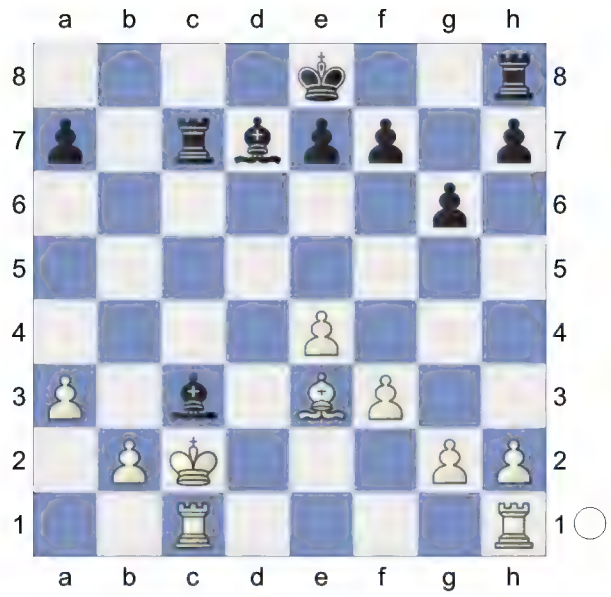
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5**

6.Nf3
[6.g3 e5 7.Nb5 Qa5+ 8.N1c3 Nxc3 9.Nxc3 Nc6 10.Bg2 Be6 11.Bd2 Rd8 12.0-0 Qb6 13.Qc2 Be7 14.Be3 Qa6 15.Ne4 0-0 16.Nc5 Bxc5 17.Bxc5 Nd4 18.Bxd4 Rxd4 19.Qc7 e4 20.Qe5 Rd2 ½-½ Seliverstov,V (2413)-Dlugy,M (2519) Moscow-chT 2012 (2.1)]
6...Nc6 7.e4 Ndb4N
[7...Nc7 8.Qxd8+ Nxd8 9.Bf4 Nde6 10.Bg3 Bd7 11.Nc3 g6 12.Ne5 Bc6 13.Bc4 Bg7 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Rd1 Rc8 16.0-0 Nd4 17.Na4 e5 18.Nc5 0-0 19.Nd7 Rfe8 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Bxe5 Rxe5 22.Rxd4 1-0 Buettner, F-Pihlajamaki,J EU/H/1218 corr ICCF 1995]
8.a3! White is slightly better. **8...Qxd1+ 9.Kxd1 Na6 10.Be3** Dodges Na6-c5
10...g6



11.Nc3 Bg7 12.Kc2 0.13/19
[12.Nd5± 0.50/21 e6 *(12...Bxb2? 13.Ra2+-)* 13.Nc3 *(13.Bxa6 exd5 14.exd5 bxa6±)*]
12...Bg4 13.Bb5 Nc7 14.Bxc6+ bxc6 15.Nd4 Nb5

16.Ndxb5
[16.Nxc6 Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bd7=]
16...cxb5 17.Nxb5 Rc8+ 18.Nc3 Rc7 19.f3 Bd7 20.Rac1 Bxc3

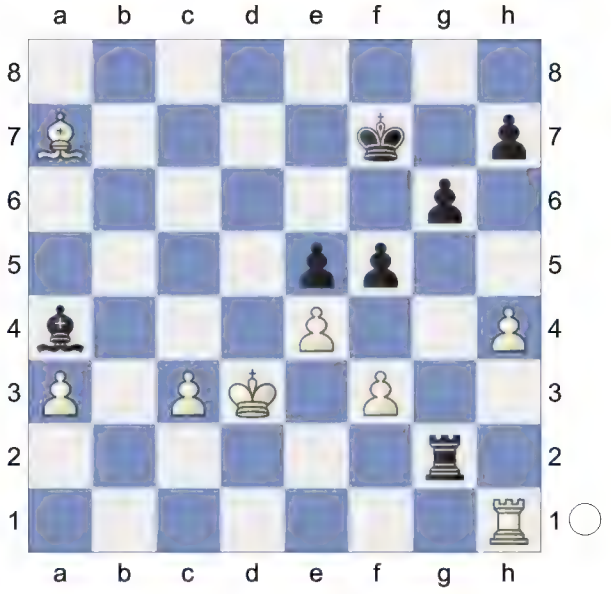


21.bxc3 Ba4+ 22.Kd2 f6 23.Rb1

Kf7 24.Rb4 Rd8+ 25.Rd4 Rxd4+

(Diagram)

26.Bxd4= Endgame KRB-KRB. White is a pawn up. **26...e5 27.Be3 Rb7 28.Kd3 Rb2 29.Bxa7 Rxg2 30.h4 f5**



31.exf5 gxf5 32.Re1 Ke6 33.Bb8 Bc2+ 34.Kc4 e4 35.fxe4 fxe4

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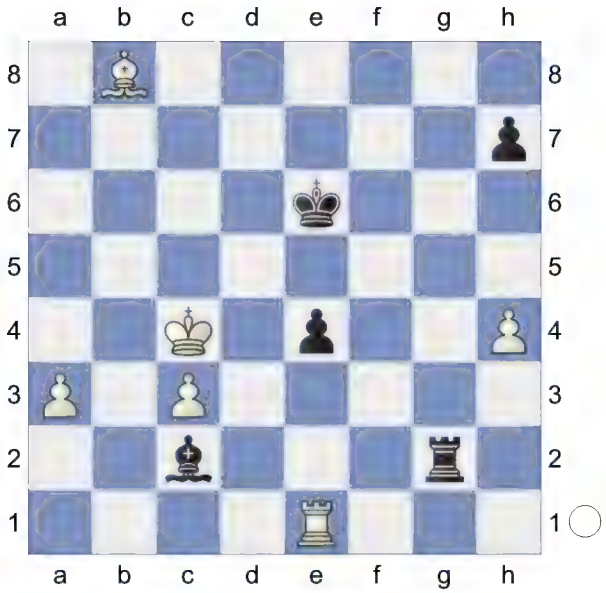
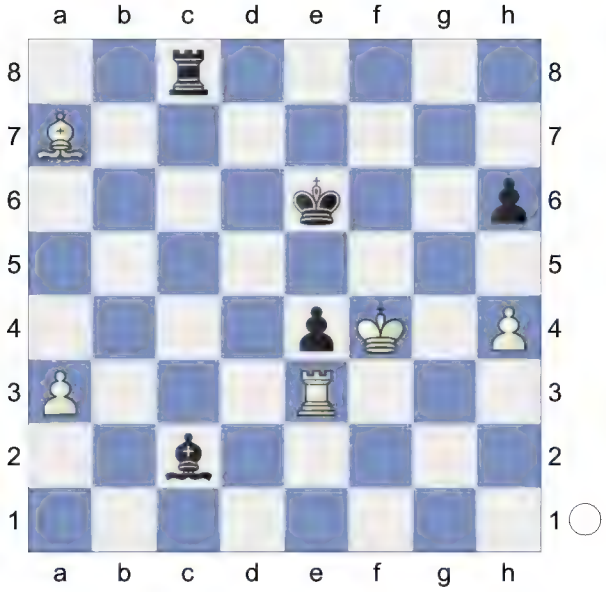


36.Kd4 Rd2+ 37.Ke3 Rd3+ 38.Kf4 Rxc3 39.Re3 Rc8 40.Ba7 h6



41.Rg3 Rf8+ 42.Ke3 Kd5 43.Rg6 Rf3+ 44.Kd2 Ba4 45.Be3 Rh3

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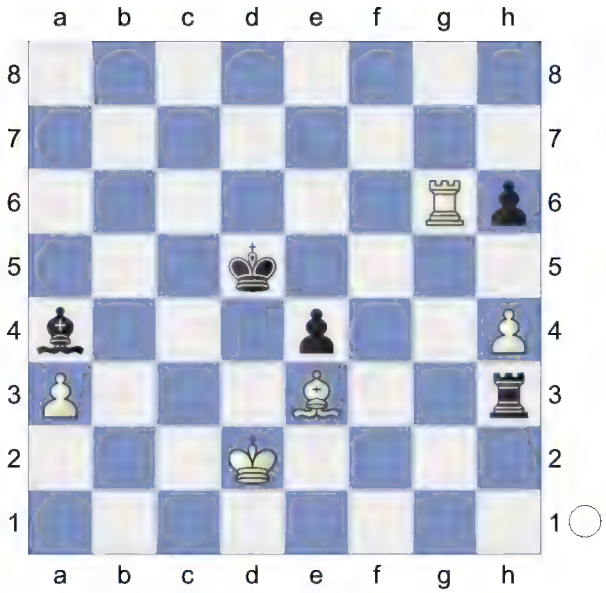
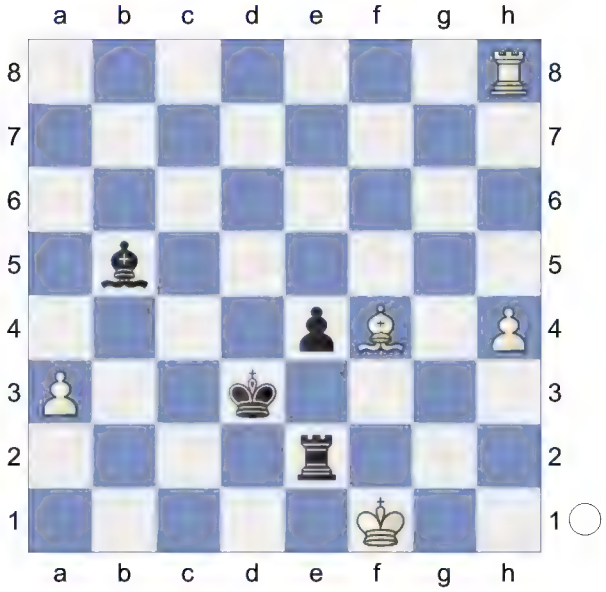


46.Rxh6 Kc4 47.Rh8 Rh2+ 48.Ke1 Kd3 49.Bf4 Re2+ 50.Kf1 and Rh8-d8+ would now be decisive **50...Bb5**



51.Rd8+ Kc2 52.Kg1 -0.01/21

[52.Rc8+± 0.69/22 Kb1 53.Rb8 Rb2+ 54.Kg1]

52...e3 53.Rc8+ Kd3 54.Rc5 Bc4 Black has compensation. **55.Re5! Re1+**

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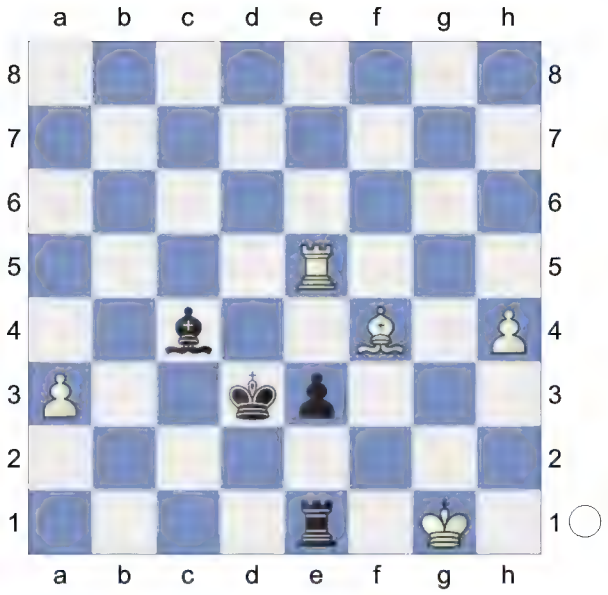
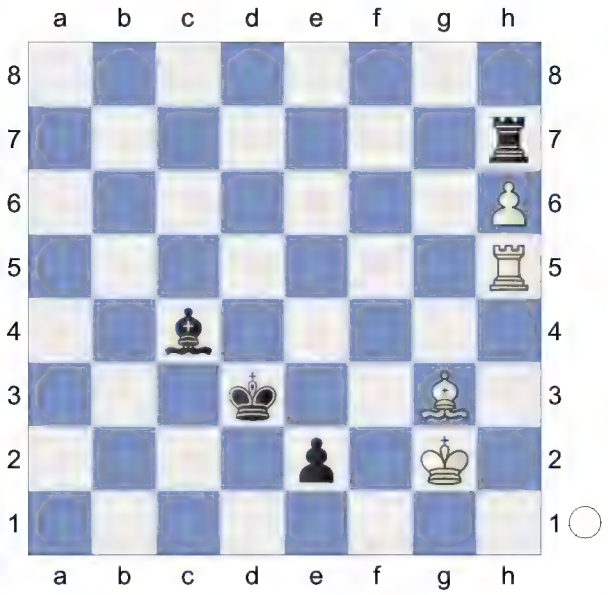
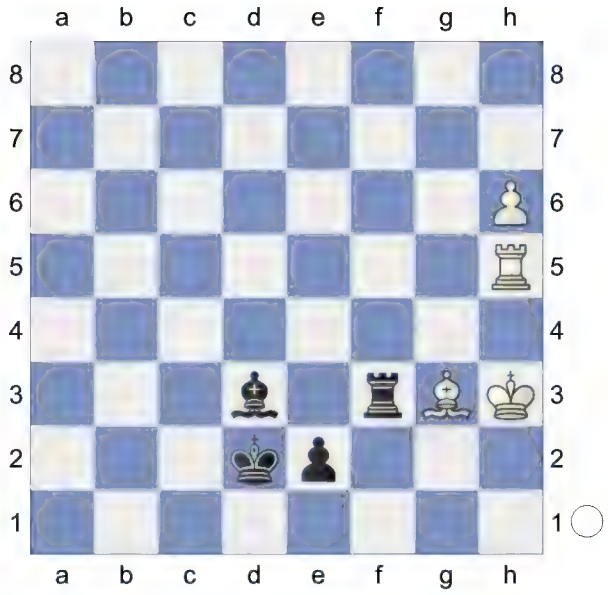


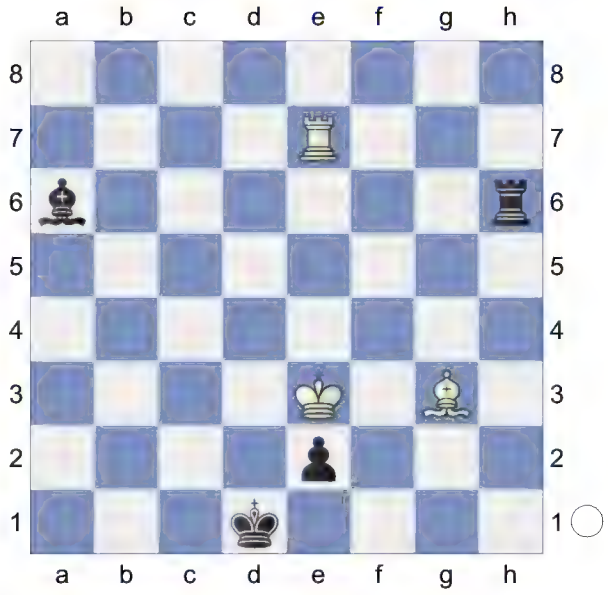
56.Kg2 e2 57.Bg3 Ra1 58.h5 Rxa3 59.h6 Ra7 60.Rh5 Rh7



61.Kf2 Kd2 62.Re5 Rf7+
[62...Rxh6? too greedy. 63.Bf4+ Kc3 64.Bxh6+-]
63.Kg2 Bd3 64.Kh3 Rf6 65.Rh5 -0.39/21
[65.Kg4= 0.00/24]
65...Rf3 -0.01/20
[65...Bf5+∓ -0.39/21 should be considered. 66.Kh4 Rf7 *(66...e1B 67.Bxe1+ Kxe1 68.h7=)*]



66.Re5 Rf6 67.Kg4 Rg6+ 68.Kf3 Kd1 69.Re7 Rxh6 70.Ke3 -0.55/23
[70.Rd7= -0.01/25]
70...Ba6 0.00/25
[70...Rh3∓ -0.55/23 71.Kf2 Bb5]



71.Rd7+ Kc1 72.Rc7+ Kb1
Hoping for ...Rh6-h3.
[72...Kd1 73.Rd7+ Kc2 74.Rc7+ Kd1 75.Rd7+]
73.Re7 Rf6 74.Kd2 Rf3 75.Rc7? -#21/24

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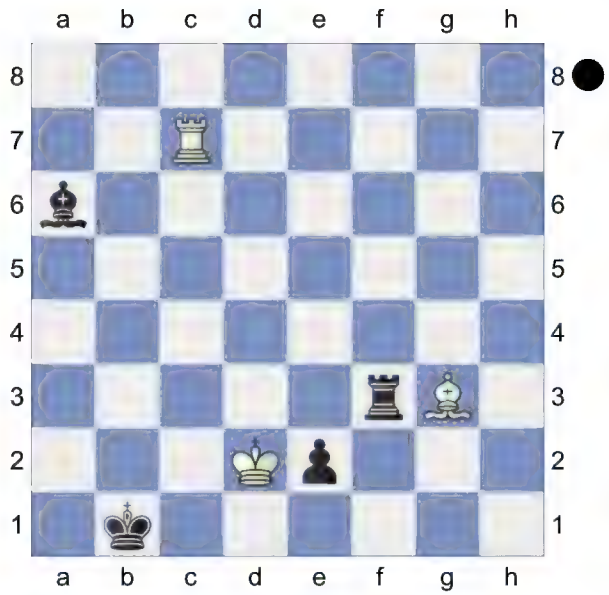

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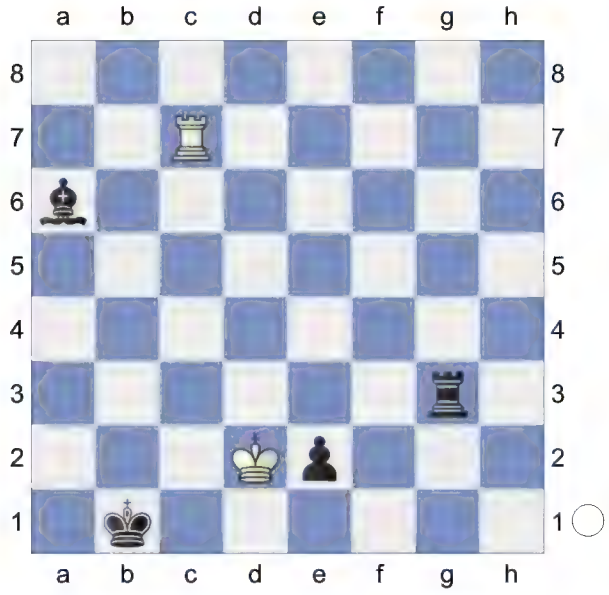

76.Rc6 Rd3+

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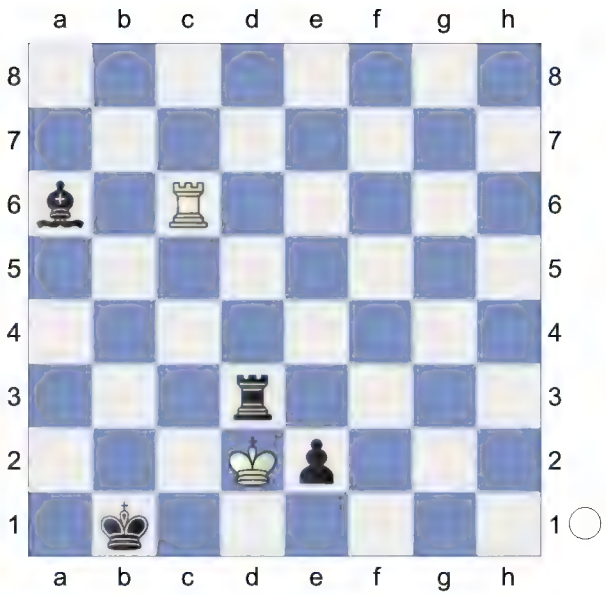

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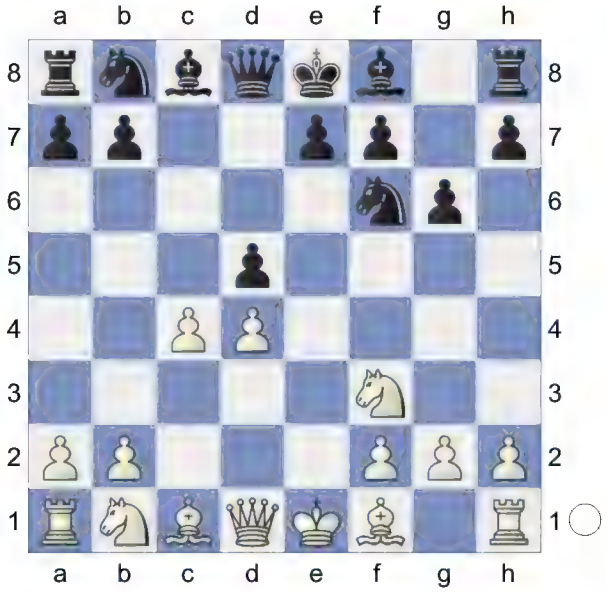
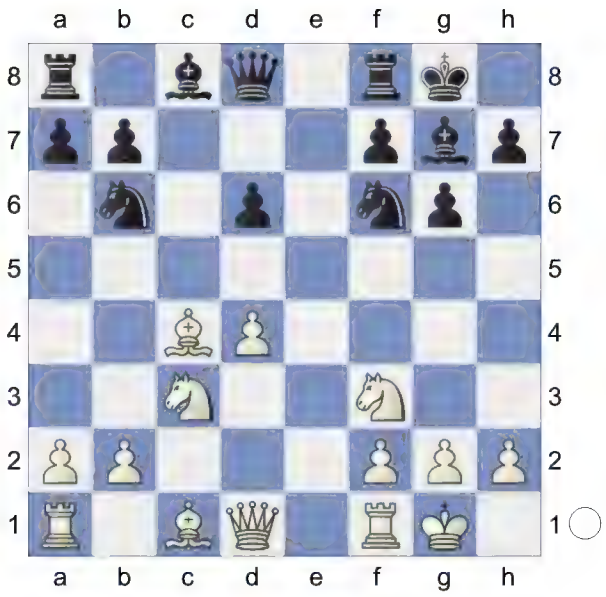
57 **B14**
□ **Artemiev,Vladislav** **2736**
■ **Smith,Axel** **2487**
12. World Teams 2019 (8.1) 13.03.2019
[Kitty Kat]

B14: Caro-Kann: Panov-Botvinnik Attack with 5...e6 and 5...g6 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.exd4 g6**

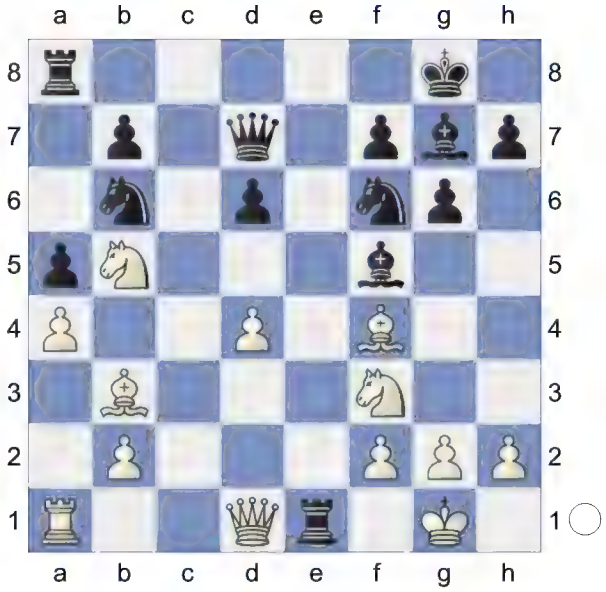


6.Nc3 Bg7 7.cxd5
[7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 Nxe3 12.fxe3 e5 13.d5 Ne7 14.e4 Bd7 15.Kh1 Nc8 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qb3 Qb6 18.Bb5 Bxb5 19.Nxb5 a6 20.d6+ Rf7 21.Nc7 Qxb3 Marcinkiewicz,A (2525)-9.Nc3 Ne7 10.Ne4 (2525) Maringa 1994 CBM 086 [Dressel] 0-1 (49)]
7...0-0N
[7...Nxd5 8.Qb3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 0-0 10.Be2 Nc6 11.0-0 b6 The Rest 65 Rašt The]
8.Bc4 Nbd7 9.d6 exd6 10.0-0 Nb6

(Diagram)



11.Bb3 Bf5 12.Re1 Qd7 0.54/19
[12...Rc8= 0.21/17 should be considered.]
13.a4 a5 White is slightly better. **14.Bf4 Rfe8 15.Nb5 Rxe1+**



16.Qxe1 Bf8 17.Rc1

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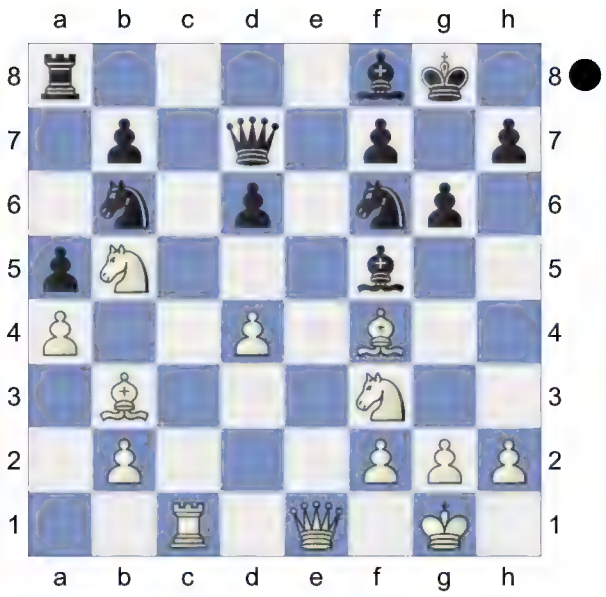
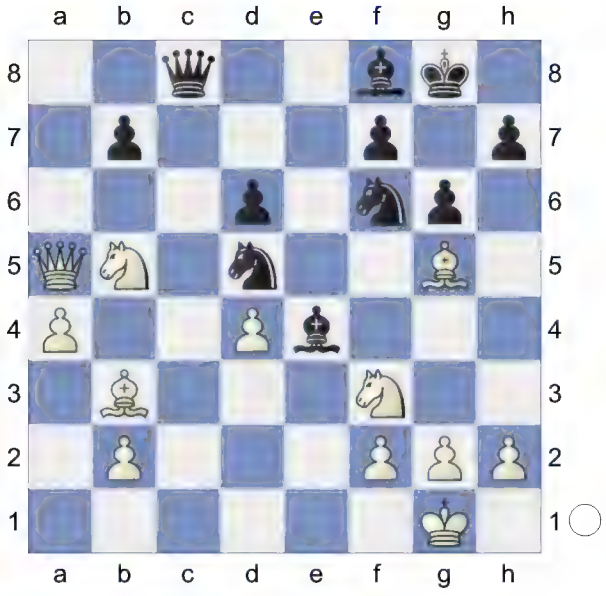
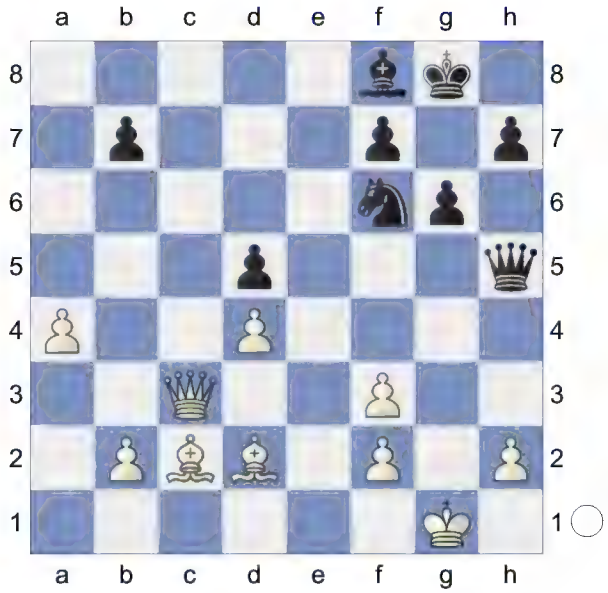


Rc7 is the strong threat. **17...Nbd5** Prevents Rc7. **18.Bg5 Rc8** 0.96/22
[Better is 18...Re8± 0.32/22 19.Qd2 *(19.Qxa5 Bh3=)* 19...Ne4]
19.Rxc8 Qxc8 20.Qxa5 Be4 1.21/20
[⌓20...Bg4 0.84/20]



21.Nc3± Bxf3 1.73/23
[21...Nxc3± 1.15/23 22.bxc3 *(22.Qxc3 Qf5±)* 22...b6]
22.gxf3+-
[Not 22.Bxd5 Bxd5 23.Nxd5 Nxd5 24.Qxd5 Qc2=]
22...Nxc3 23.Qxc3 1.20/22
[23.bxc3+- 1.71/22 Kg7 24.Qb5]
23...Qf5± 24.Bd2↑ Keeping Black busy.
24...d5 25.Bc2 0.92/20
[⌓25.Kg2 1.24/20]
25...Qh5



26.Bf4 Inhibits Bd6. **26...Bh6** 2.18/23
[26...Qh3± 1.13/21]
27.Qe3 Bxf4 28.Qxf4 Kg7 2.46/26
[28...Nd7 1.66/24 keeps fighting.]
29.Kg2+- Black must now prevent b4.
29...g5? 4.47/23
[29...Nd7 2.48/24 30.Kg3 Nf8]
30.Qe5 Qh4 5.06/25
[⌓30...Qh6 3.53/24 31.Bb3 Kf8 32.Qd6+ *(32.a5 Nh5±)* 32...Kg7 33.Bxd5 b6]

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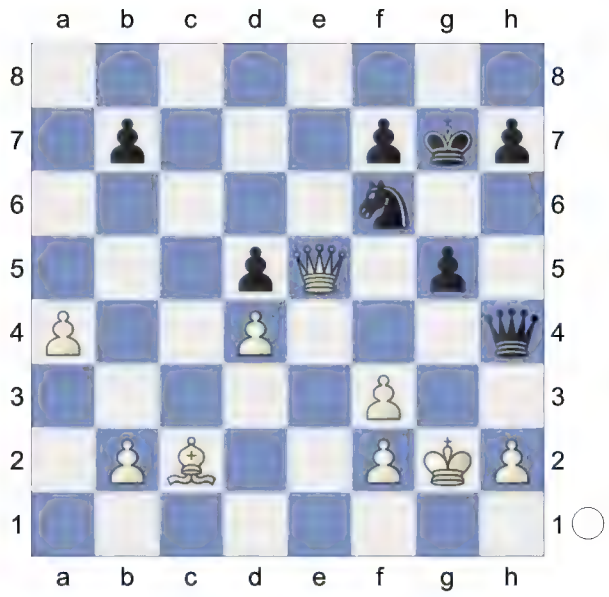
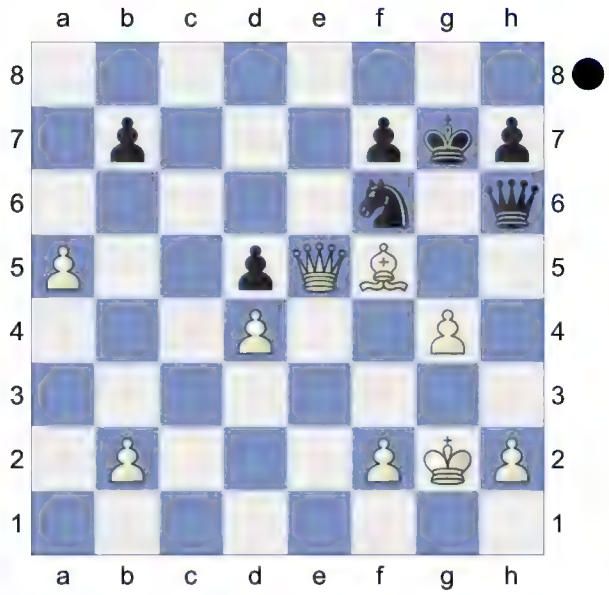


31.Bf5 White is clearly winning. **31...Qh6 32.a5 g4 33.fxg4**



aiming for f4. Active counter play!
33...Qd2 34.Qe3

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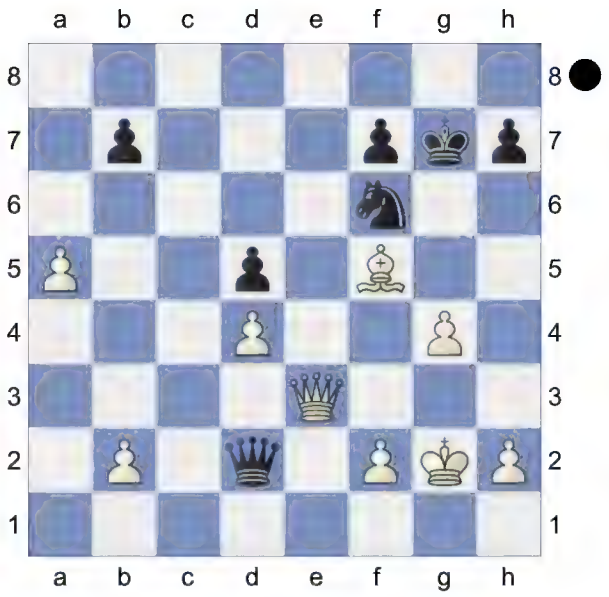

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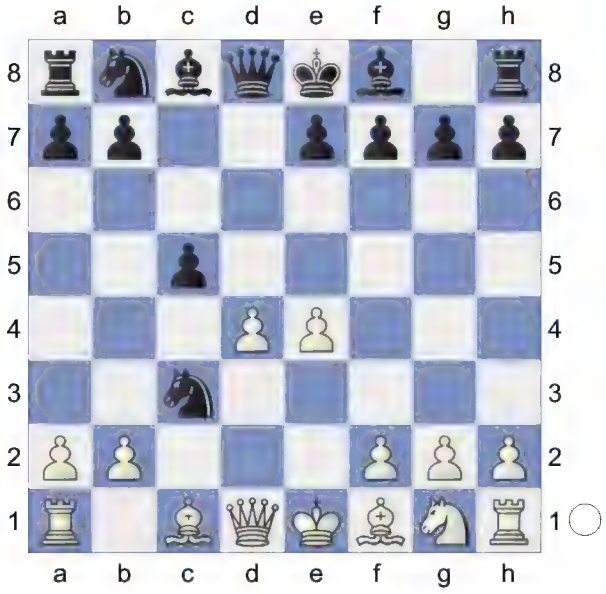
58 **D06**
□ **Duda,J.** **2732**
■ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2679**
Julius Baer Gen Cup D3 W (1.2) 27.9.24
[Kitty Kat]

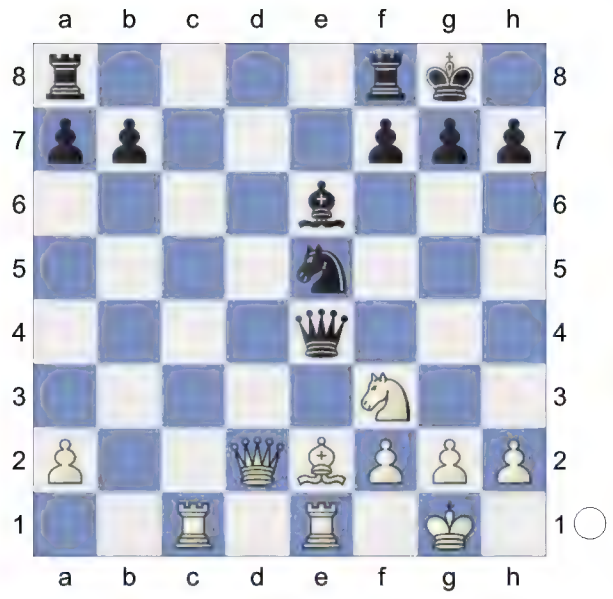
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3**



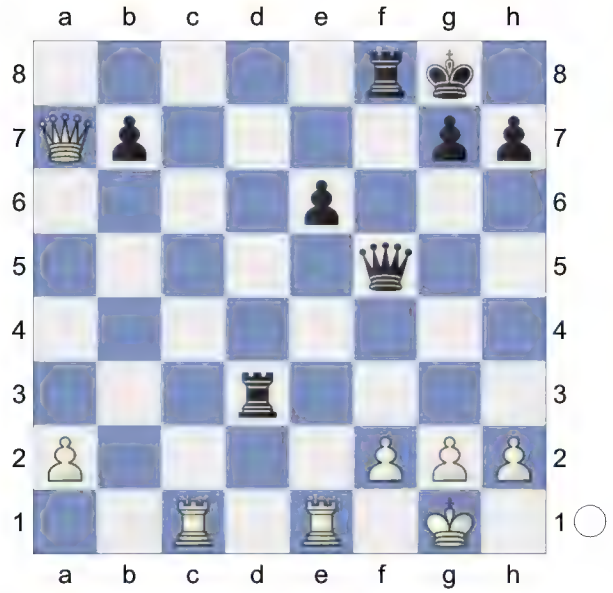
6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5! 8.dxe5N -0.52/19 An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante.
[8.d5= 0.25/19]
[8.Nf3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 exd4 11.Bb5+ Bd7 ½-½ Hersen,R (2349)-Model game #2: Ehlvest,J (2467) chess24.com (Int.-rapid) 152/65 2022 (7)]
8...Bb4+∓ 9.Bd2 Qd4 10.Rc1N -0.67/22
[Vorgänger: 10.Nf3 Bxd2+ 11.Nxd2 0-0 12.Bc4! Bg4 13.Qc1? -1.62/20 *(13.f3=* -0.01/21 and White has nothing to worry.*)* 13...Rc8-+ and ...Nb8-d7! should not be overlooked 14.0-0 b5 15.h3 Bd7 16.Bxf7+ Kxf7 1-0 Nguyen,N (2645)-Musovic,A (2265) Titled Tuesday intern op 25th Jul Late blitz 2023 (7)]
[10.Nf3= -0.21/22 Bxd2+ *(10...Qxe4+ 11.Qe2∓)* 11.Nxd2]
10...Qxe4+∓

11.Be2 Bxd2+
[11...0-0 with more complications. 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Rc4 Bxd2+ 14.Qxd2 Qb1+]
12.Qxd2 0-0 13.Nf3 Nc6 14.0-0 Nxe5 15.Rfe1 Be6
[15...Bh3!? 16.Qe3 Qxe3 Remove Defender 17.fxe3 Nxf3+ 18.Bxf3 Bc8∓]

(Diagram)

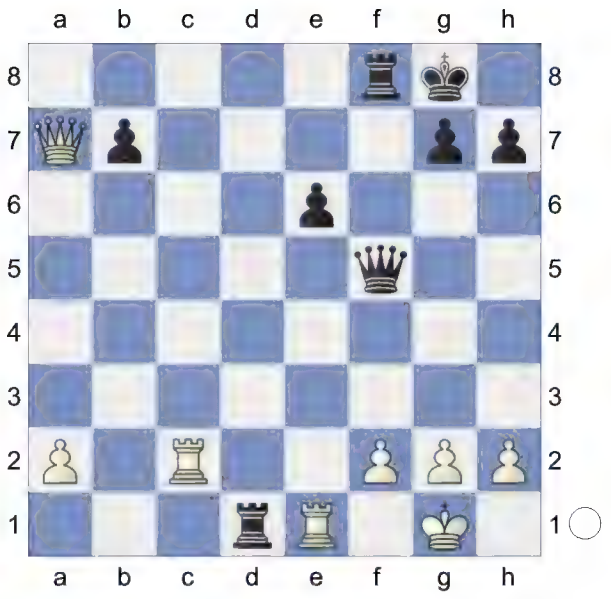


16.Ng5 Qf5 17.Nxe6 fxe6 0.25/21
[⌓17...Qxe6 -0.16/20 18.Qb2 Rae8]
18.Qe3= Rad8 19.Qxa7
[19.Rc5!? Rd5□ 20.Rxd5 exd5 21.Qxa7=]
19...Nd3 20.Bxd3 Rxd3

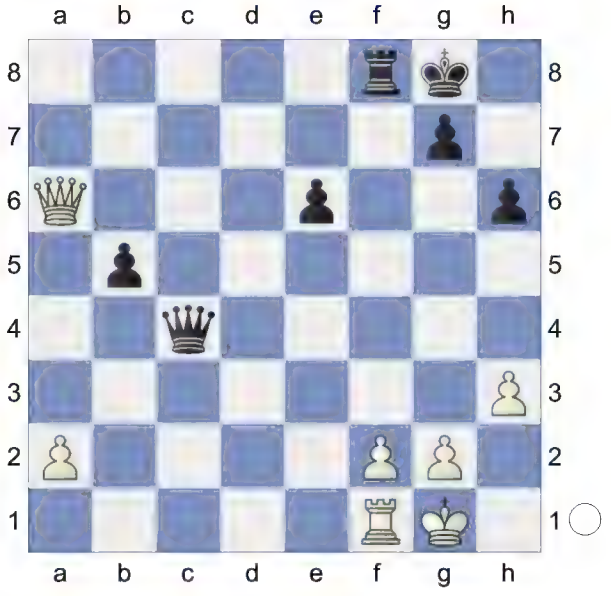


21.Rc2
[21.Qxb7 Qxf2+ 22.Kh1 h6]
21...Rd1

(Diagram)



Discovered Attack **22.Rxd1 Qxc2**
Endgame KQR-KQR **23.Rf1 b5 24.Qa6 Qc4 25.h3 h6**



26.Re1 Rd8 27.g3
[27.Rxe6 is a self mate. Rd1+]
[27.a3 Rd4 28.Qxe6+ Qxe6 29.Rxe6 b4 30.axb4 Rxb4 31.Re8+]
27...Rd2 28.a4 Ra2 29.Qxb5 Rxa4 30.Qe8+
[30.Qxc4 Rxc4 31.Rxe6 Rc5 32.Re7]
30...Kh7

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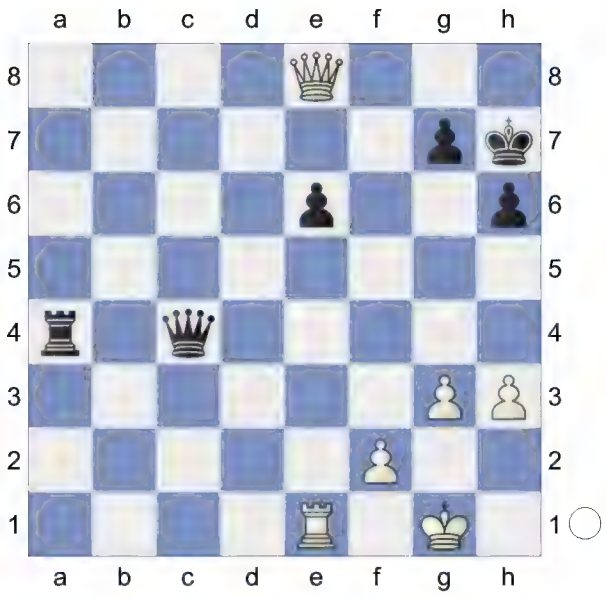
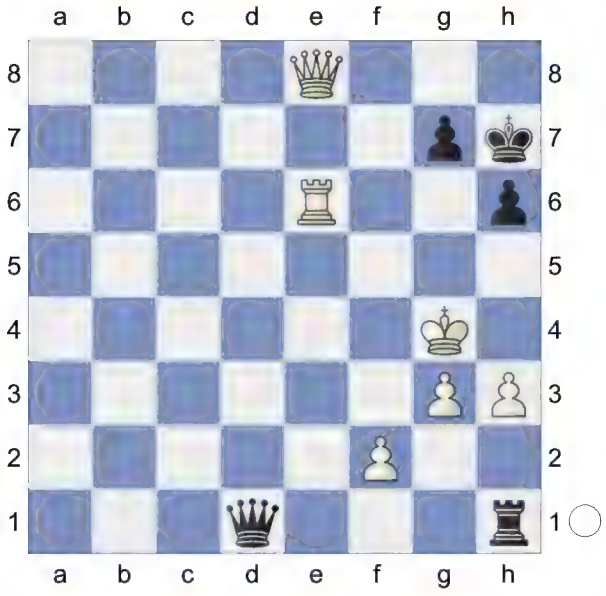
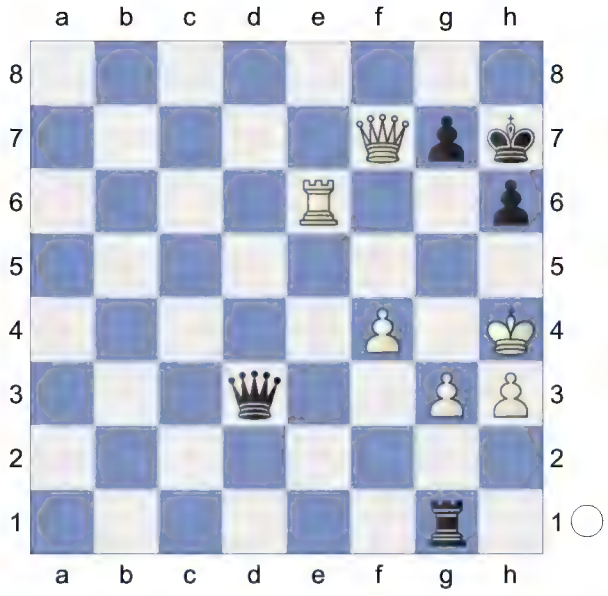


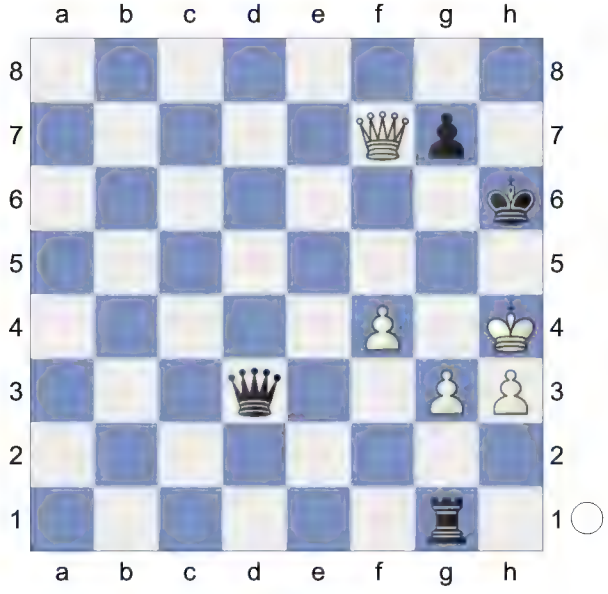
31.Rxe6 Threatens to win with Qe8-g6+.
[31.Qxe6 simplifies Qxe6 32.Rxe6 Ra5 33.Kg2]
31...Ra1+ 32.Kh2 0.01/29
[32.Re1± 0.44/25 Ra2 33.h4]
32...Rh1+ Decoy **33.Kg2**
[33.Kxh1!? Qf1+□ 34.Kh2 Qxf2+ 35.Kh1 Qf1+ 36.Kh2 Qf2+=]
33...Qf1+ 34.Kf3 Qd3+
[Weaker is 34...Rxh3 35.Qg6+ Kh8 36.Re8#]
35.Kg4 Qd1+



36.f3 Qd4+ 37.f4 Qd1+ 38.Kh4 Qd3
Prevents Qe8-g6+. **39.Qf7** Against Qd3-f5. White wants to mate with Re6xh6+!.
39...Rg1? #2/6
[39...Rxh3+= -0.01/29 40.Kxh3 Qf1+ 41.Kh2 Qf2+ 42.Kh3 Qf1+]



40.Rxh6+!! Decoy **40...Kxh6**



41.Qh5#

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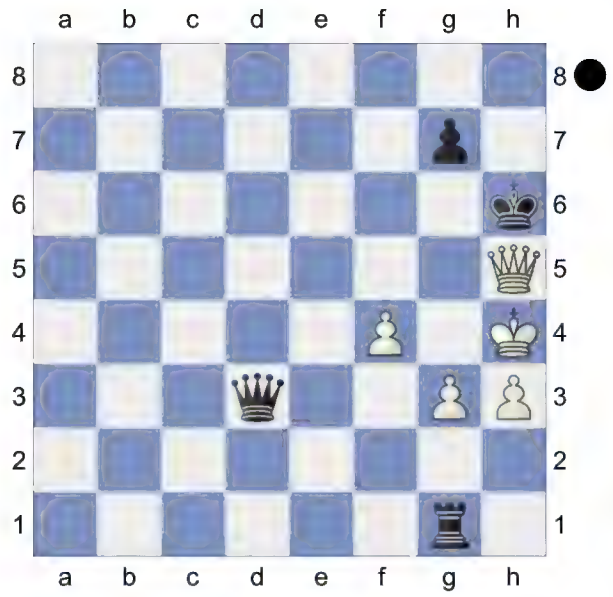

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59 **D06**
□ **Andreikin,Dmitry** **2729**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2802**
Abu Dhabi Online Final (3.3) 21.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4 Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+**

6.Nd2 0.11/20
[6.Bd2!± 0.94/19 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxd2+ *(7...Qxc5 8.Na3± Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4* 37) 2...c5-2...c5 with 3... Nf6 #2 Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023*)* 8.Nxd2 g6 9.b4 Bg7 10.Rc1 0-0 11.Ngf3 Nd7 12.Ne4 f5 13.Neg5 Bb2 14.Rb1 Bc3+ 15.Kd1 a5 16.a3 axb4 17.axb4 Ra4 18.Bb5 Ra3 19.Kc2 Bf6 20.Ne6 Ra2+ 21.Kb3 Rxf2 22.Nxf8 Kxf8 23.Ra1 1-0 Steingrimsson,H (2532)-Breutigam,M (2391) GER CupT Germany 2010 (1)]
6...e6= 7.Bd3N -0.31/20
[7.Qe2= 0.06/18 Nxc5 *(7...exd5 8.f3±* Pin *)* 8.a3]
[7.dxe6 Bxe6 8.Qe2 Nxc5 9.Qb5+ Qxb5 10.Bxb5+ Bd7 11.Bc4 b5 12.Be2 Bc6 13.Ngf3 a6 14.0-0 Bd6 15.Nd4 0-0 16.Nxc6 Nxc6 17.Bf3 Rac8 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Bxe4 Rfe8 20.Bf5 Rcd8 21.Be3 g6 2 Chapter-Games Chapter 16 Game]
7...Nxc5∓ 8.Bc2 The position is equal.
8...exd5 9.Ngf3 -0.78/20
[9.a3∓ -0.31/19 Qa6 10.Ne2]
9...Qa6∓ Black is more active. **10.Nb3** -1.53/21
[⌓10.b4 -0.85/20 Nd3+ 11.Bxd3 Qxd3 12.Rb1]
10...Nxb3!

11.Bxb3 Bb4+ 12.Bd2 Bxd2+ 13.Qxd2 0-0 14.Qe2 Dodges Rf8-e8
14...Qa5+ 15.Kf1 Nc6 -1.21/19
[⌓15...Nd7 -1.60/19 16.h3 b6]

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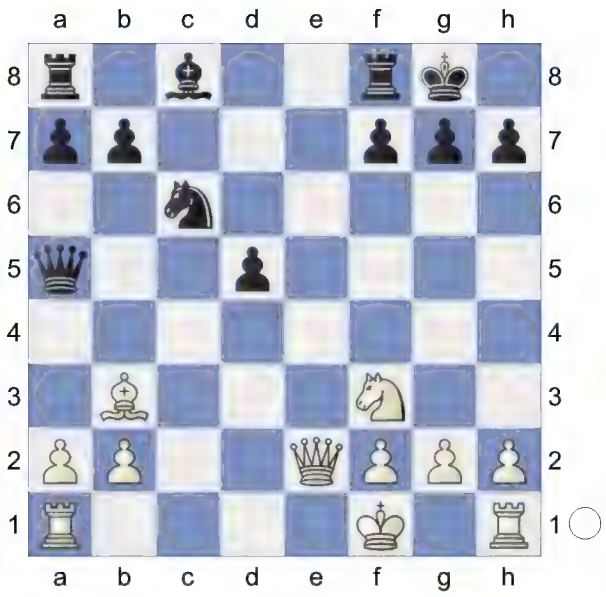
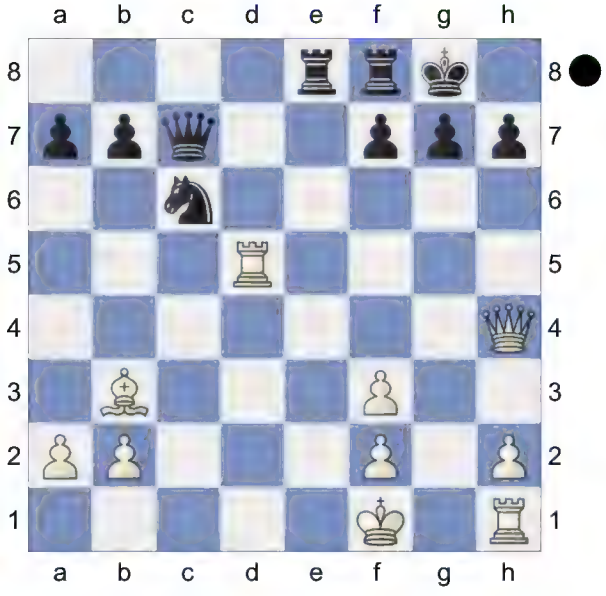
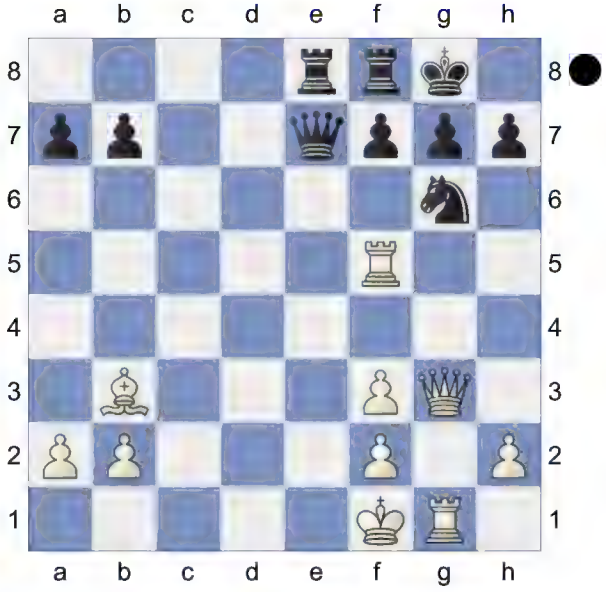


16.Rd1 Bg4 -0.69/22
[16...Be6∓ -1.34/19 Threatens to win with ...Ra8-e8. 17.Qd2 Rfc8]
17.Rxd5∓ Qc7
[17...Qb6 feels hotter. 18.Qe4 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Rae8]
18.Qe4 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Rae8 20.Qh4 -0.85/20
[20.Qg4= -0.24/20 remains equal.]



20...Ne5 -0.09/24
[Black should play 20...Ne7!∓ -0.85/20 21.Rd4 Qc6]

21.Qg3= Qe7 Threatening ...Qe7-f6.
22.Rg1 -0.59/22
[22.Kg2= -0.14/22 Ng6 23.Rhd1]
22...Ng6∓ 23.Rf5? -4.09/21
[23.Kg2∓ -0.59/21]



Dodges Qe7-f6. Now White is beyond hope. **23...Qb4!-+ 24.Qg4 Re1+ 25.Kg2 Nh4+**

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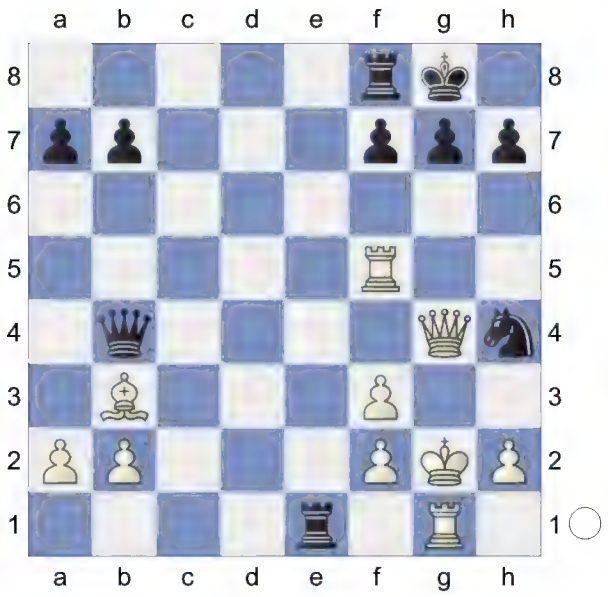
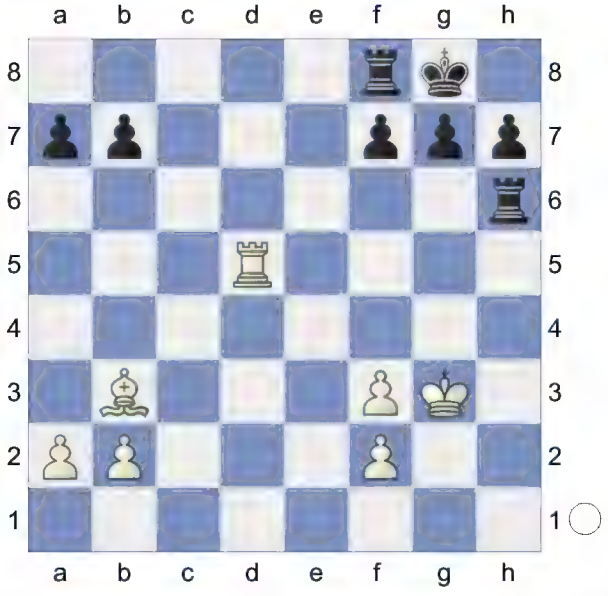
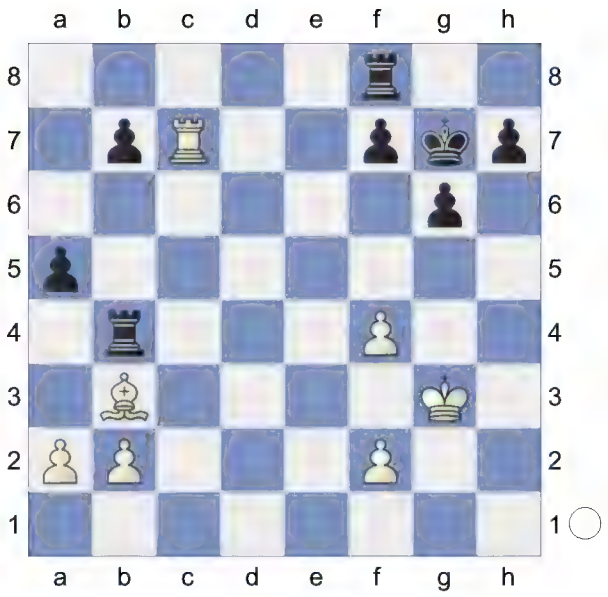


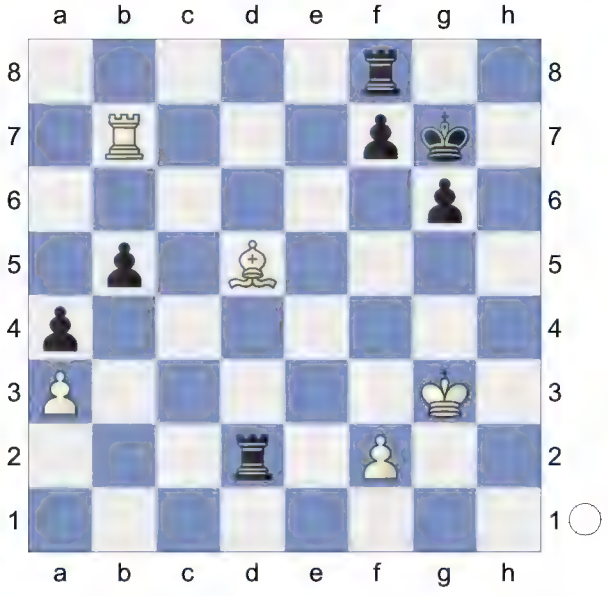
26.Qxh4 -5.17/26
[⌓26.Kh3 -3.51/26 Qxg4+ Remove Defender *(26...Nxf5 27.Qxb4 Rxg1 28.f4=)* 27.fxg4 Rxg1 28.Kxh4]
26...Rxg1+ Black is clearly winning.
[Less strong is 26...Qxh4 27.Rxe1 g6 28.Rfe5∓]
27.Kh3 Qxh4+ 28.Kxh4
Endgame KRR-KRB **28...Rg2 29.Rd5 Rxh2+ 30.Kg3 Rh6**



31.Rd7 Rb6 32.f4 g6 33.Rc7 Kg7 34.Rd7 a5 35.Rc7 Rb4



36.f5 a4 37.Bd5 Rxb2 38.fxg6 hxg6 39.a3 b5 40.Rb7 Rd2



41.Rxb5 Rd3+ 42.Kf4 Rxa3 43.Ra5 Rd3 44.Ke4 Rd2 45.f4 Re8+

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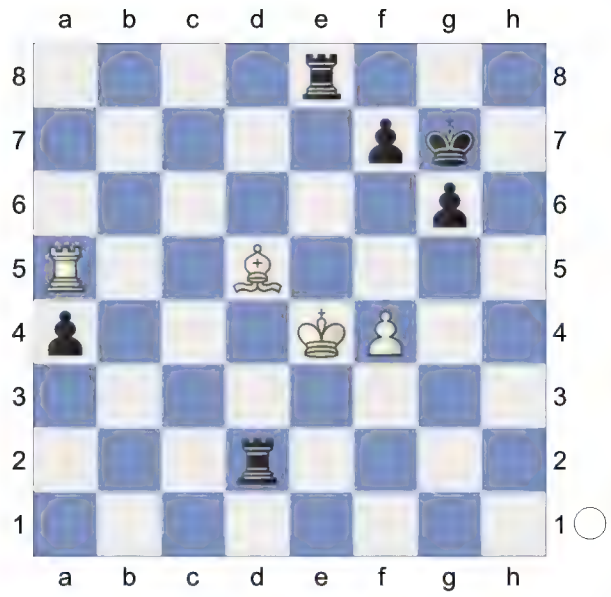

46.Kf3 Rd3+ 47.Kf2 Rb8

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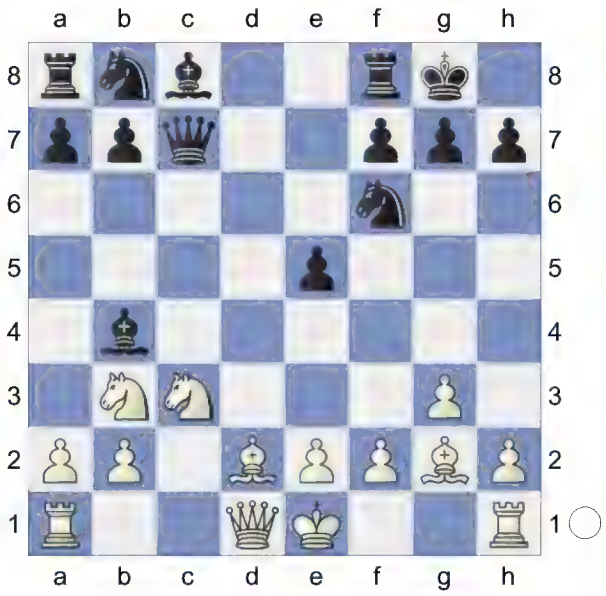
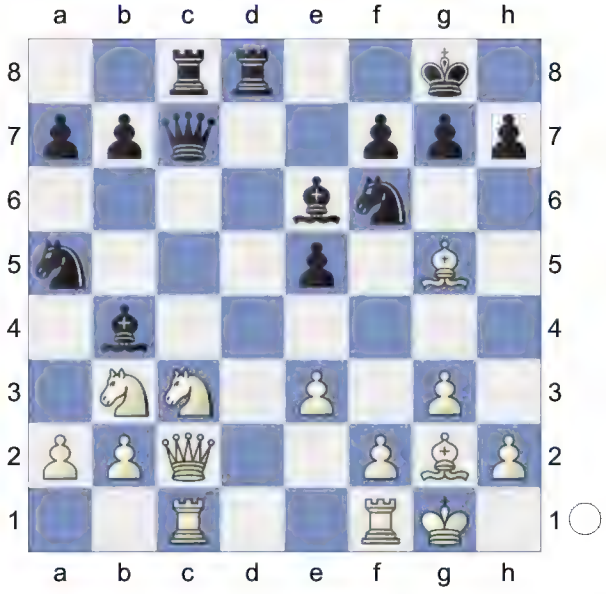
60 **D06**
□ **Tomashevsky,E.** **2728**
■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2747**
78th Tata Steel GpA (2.4) 17.01.2016
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3N
[7.Nb3 Qh5 *(7...Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
7...e5 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Bg2 Against Qc6 **9...Bb4 10.Bd2 0-0**



11.0-0 Rd8 12.Rc1 -0.02/23
[12.Qc1⩲ 0.47/23]
12...Nc6= 13.Qc2 Be6 14.Bg5 Rac8 15.e3 Inhibits Nd4. **15...Na5**



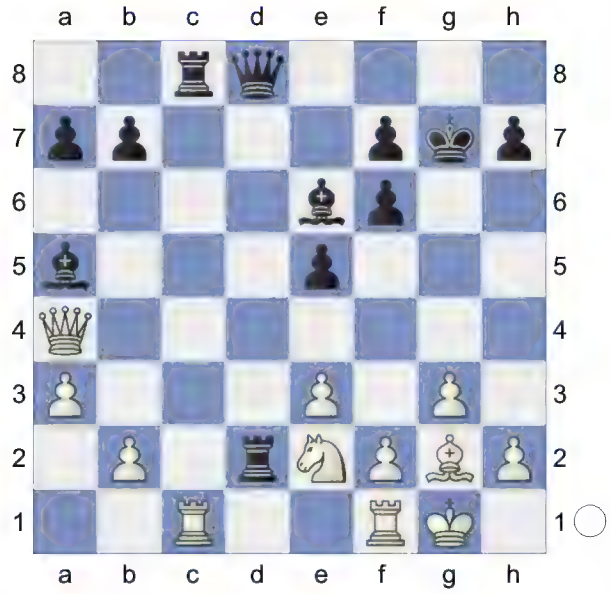
16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Nxa5 Bxa5 18.Qa4 Kg7 19.a3 -0.54/21

[19.Bf3= -0.20/19]

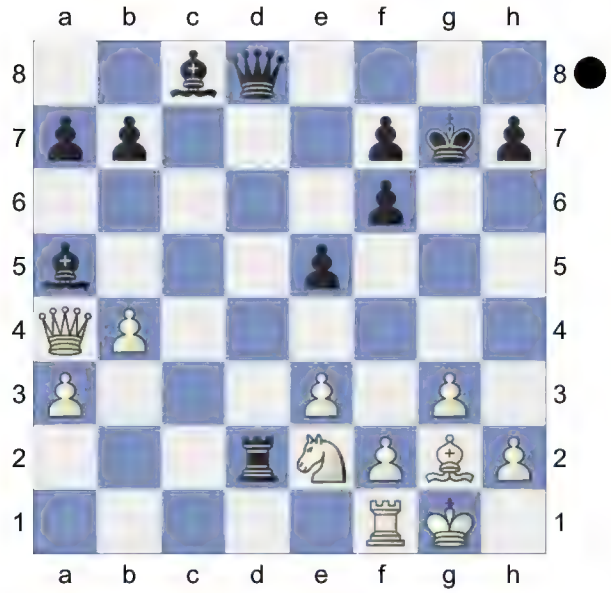
19...Rd2∓

[But not 19...Bxc3 20.Rxc3 Qb6 21.Rxc8 Rxc8 22.Bd5!=]

20.Ne2 -1.35/24 **Qd8!∓**



21.Rxc8 Bxc8 22.b4

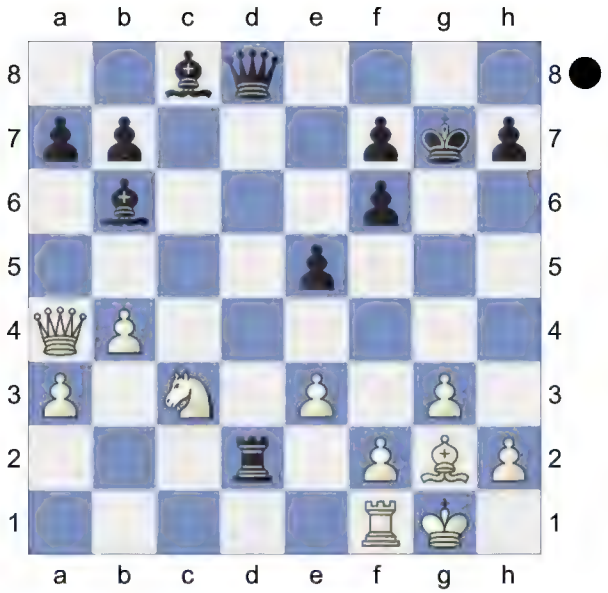


Bb6!

[Worse is 22...Rxe2 23.bxa5 Rb2 24.Rd1∓]

23.Nc3

(Diagram)



f5 -0.39/22 Prevents Ne4.

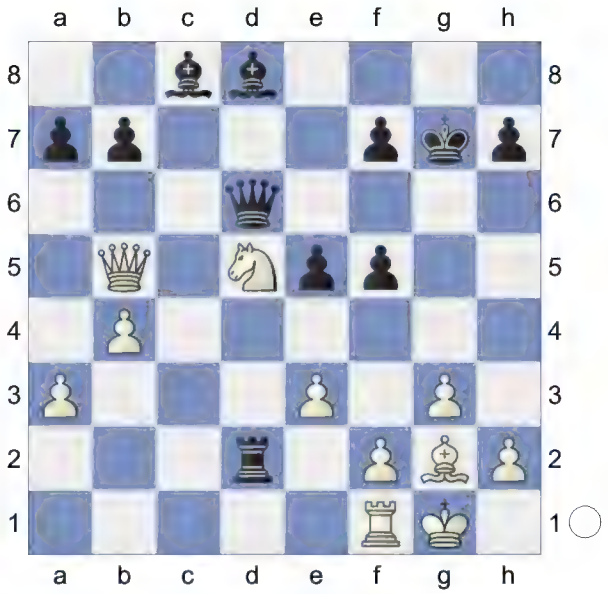
[23...Qd3!∓ -1.35/23 24.Nd5 Be6 25.Nxb6 axb6]

24.Qb5∓ Qd6 25.Nd5 -1.19/23

[25.Rc1= -0.25/22]

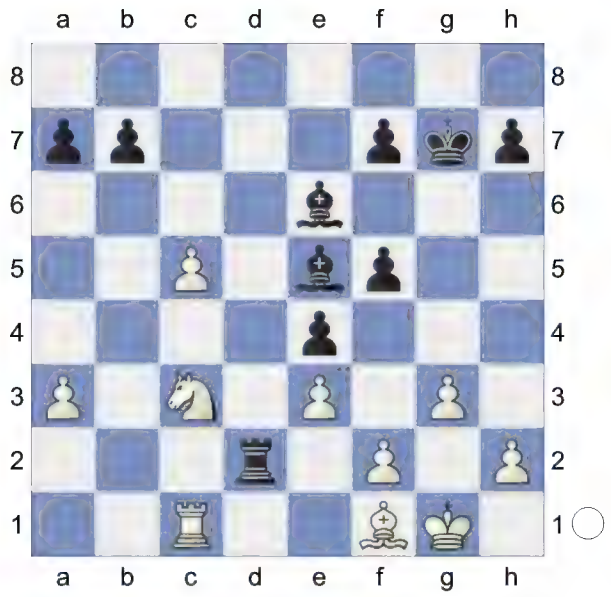
25...Bd8 -0.18/24

[25...Bd7∓ -1.19/23 26.Qc4 Be6 27.Nxb6 Bxc4 28.Nxc4 Qd8 29.Nxd2 Qxd2 30.Bxb7 Qd7]

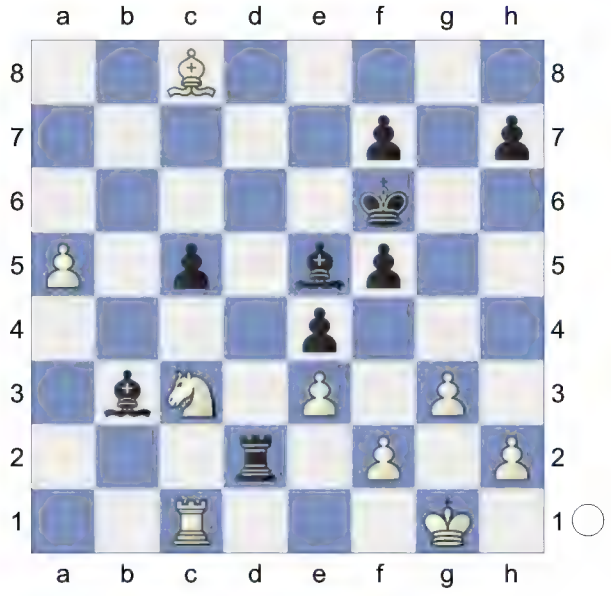


26.Rc1= Be6 27.Nc3 e4 28.Bf1 Bf6 29.Qc5 Qxc5 30.bxc5 Be5

(Diagram)



31.a4 Bb3 0.01/23
[31...Bd7∓ -0.72/23]
32.a5 a6 0.50/24
[32...Be6= 0.01/22 might be stronger.]
33.c6!± bxc6 And now ...Rc2 would win.
34.Bxa6 c5 35.Bc8! Kf6



36.g4! Rd3 0.96/22
[36...Bxc3± 0.62/24 37.Rxc3 c4]

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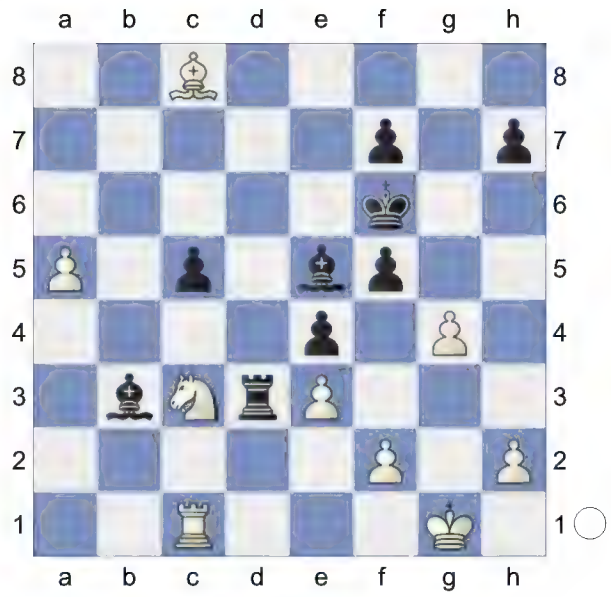
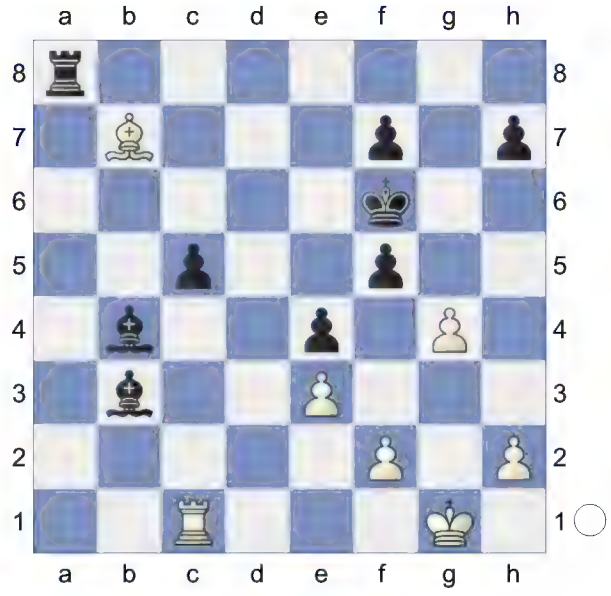
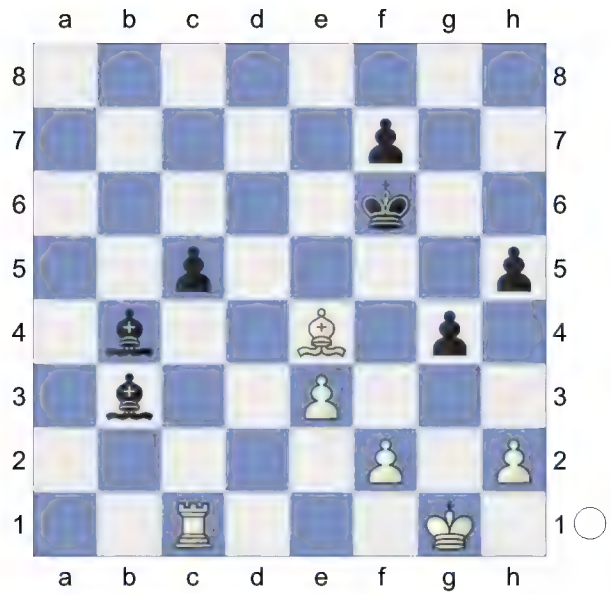


37.a6! 0.31/25 **Bxc3**
[37...Rxc3? 38.Rxc3 Bxc3 39.Bb7+-]
38.Bb7 aiming for a7. **38...Bb4**
[38...fxg4? 39.a7 Bb2 40.Rb1+-]
39.a7 Rd8 ...c4 is the strong threat.
40.a8Q Rxa8



41.Bxa8 fxg4 42.Bxe4 h5

(Diagram)



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61 **D06**
□ **Sarana,Alexey** **2712**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2794**
Titled Tue 11. Jun Early (8) 11.06.2024
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Browne,W: 'Inf 33/490' Craig Pritchett: '1908 was a good year for Rubinstein, during which among other successes he took on and defeated the American champion, Frank Marshall, 4½-3½, in a match in Warsaw. As Marshall had just lost a world title challenge match against Emanuel Lasker the previous year, though by a much larger 11½-3½ margin, this was particularly encouraging. --- Early in 1909 Rubinstein tied with Lasker to win the great St Petersburg tournament of that year. Both finished on 14½/18, a full 3½ points ahead of Duras and Spielmann tied in 3rd. Rubinstein deservedly defeated Lasker in their individual game and, given the emphatic nature of his achievement at St Petersburg, he now started to be taken seriously as Lasker's rightful challenger. --- It was not just Rubinstein's result that impressed in St Petersburg, but also the magisterial, yet apparently effortless way he played in his best games. At about this time Rubinstein was beginning to get a reputation as a particularly strong endgame player, but in fact his chess always had a much more universal quality. Rubinstein played the opening, middlegame and endgame with equivalent power and a mastery of strategy and tactics that was second to no one. --- In his game at St Petersburg against Jacques Mieses (1865-1954), a romantic of the old school, Rubinstein nursed a hard-earned opening edge through to a win in an outstanding endgame. Mieses' entry in The Oxford Companion to Chess attracts the unfair and certainly exaggerated comment that "he never assimilated the positional ideas of Steinitz and Tarrasch." Be that as it may, he certainly got a lesson in the art of playing classically direct chess in this game.' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5**

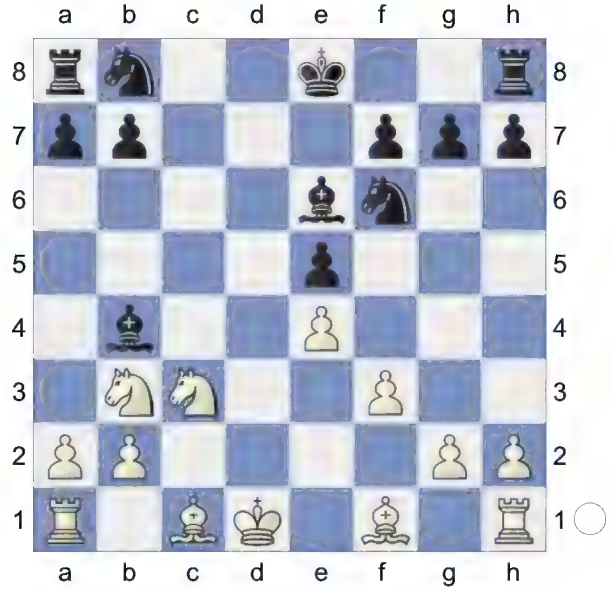
6.e4 Nf6 7.Nc3 e5 8.Nb3N -0.10/20
[8.Bb5+± 0.43/21 Bd7
A) 9.Nf5 Bxb5 *(9...Nc6 10.Nd6+ Bxd6 11.Qxd6 Qe7 12.Qxe7+ Nxe7 13.Be3 a6 14.Bxd7+ Nxd7 15.Ke2 Rc8 16.Rhd1 Nc5 17.Bxc5 Rxc5 18.Rac1 Nc6 19.Rd5 Rxd5 20.exd5 Nd4+ 21.Kd3 Ke7 22.f4 f6 23.fxe5 fxe5 24.Ke4* 1-0 Rubinstein,A-Mieses,J St Petersburg 1909 (7)) 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Nxb5 Nxe4 12.Be3 g6 13.f3 gxf5 14.fxe4 Nd7 15.exf5 Bb4+ 16.Ke2 a6 17.Nc3 Bxc3

18.bxc3 Rg8 19.g3 Rg4 20.Rhd1 Rc8 21.Rd5 Ke8 22.Rad1 Rc7 23.Bc1 Ra4 0-1 Narayanan,S (2647)-Madaminov,M (2501) Qatar Masters Open 2024 (6.13);

B) 9.Bxd7+ Qxd7 10.Nc2 Qxd1+ 11.Kxd1 Nc6 12.Bg5 Bb4 13.Nxb4 Nxb4 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Ke2 Rd8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Rac1 Rg8 18.g3 Ke7 19.Ke3 Ke6 20.Na4 Kd6 21.Rhd1+ Kc7 22.Rd5 Rd6 23.Nc3 a6 24.Rxd6 Kxd6 25.Rd1+ 1-0 Moroni,L (2553)-Bertagnolli,A (2358) ITA-chT T9 51st 2019 (1.6)]

[8.Ndb5 a6 9.Qxd8+ Kxd8 10.Na3 Be6 11.Nc4 Nbd7 12.Bg5 Rc8 13.Bxf6+ gxf6 14.Nd5 f5 15.Rd1 fxe4 16.a3 Bc5 17.Nf6 Bd4 18.Nxd7 Bxd7 19.Nd6 Rc2 20.Rd2 Rc1+ 21.Rd1 Rc2 22.Rd2 Rc1+ 0-1 Meskovs,N (2550)-Ulybin,M (2469) Amsterdam Science Park op-A 2019 (6)]

8...Qxd1+= 9.Kxd1 Bb4 10.f3 Be6



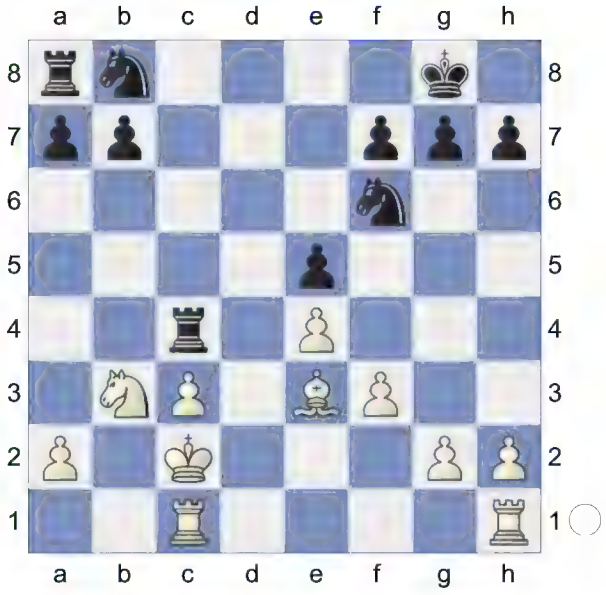
11.Be3

[11.Nb5 is more complex. Kd7 12.Be3 Rd8 13.Ke2]

11...0-0 12.Kc2 Rc8 13.Rc1 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Bc4 0.64/20

[14...Nbd7= 0.01/19]

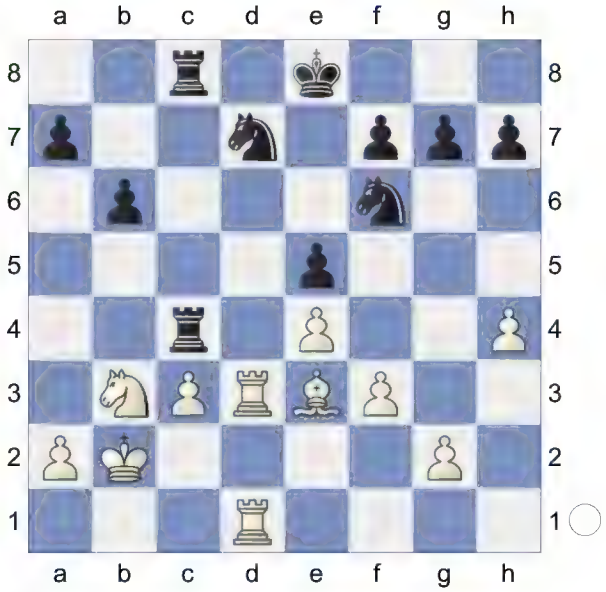
15.Bxc4± Rxc4



16.Rhd1 Nbd7 17.Kb2 0.04/21

[17.Ra1± 0.41/19 might be stronger.]

17...Kf8= 18.Rd3 b6 19.Rcd1 Ke8 20.h4 Rac8

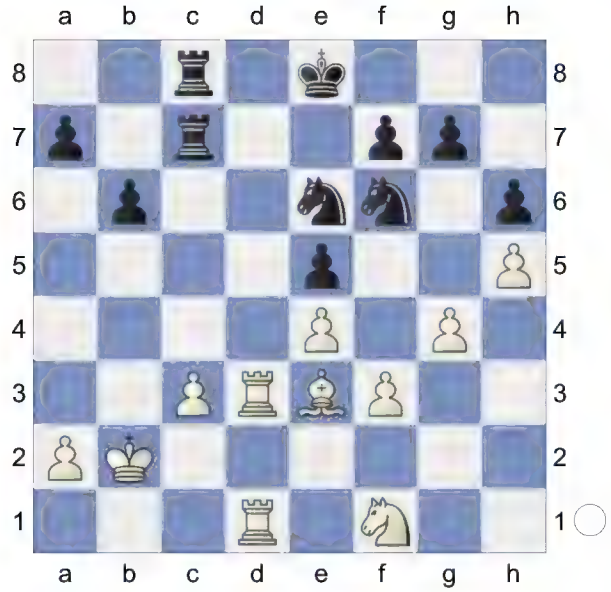


21.h5! h6

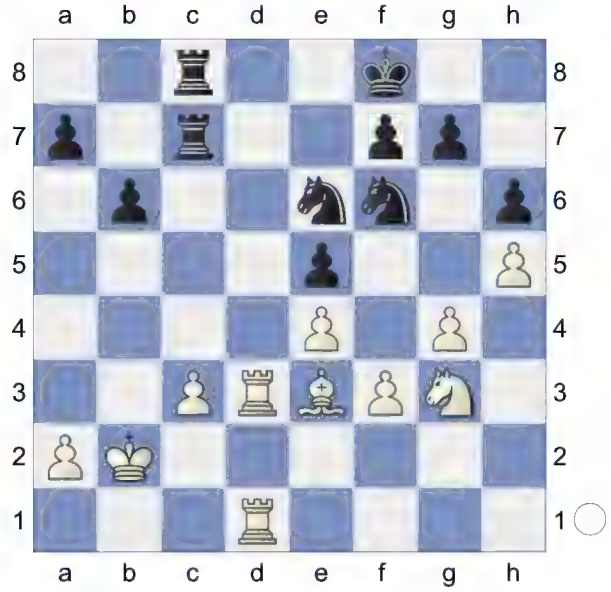
[21...R4c7 22.h6]

22.g4 Nf8 23.Nd2 R4c7 24.Nf1 Ne6 0.72/21

[24...Ng8= 0.03/22 remains equal.]



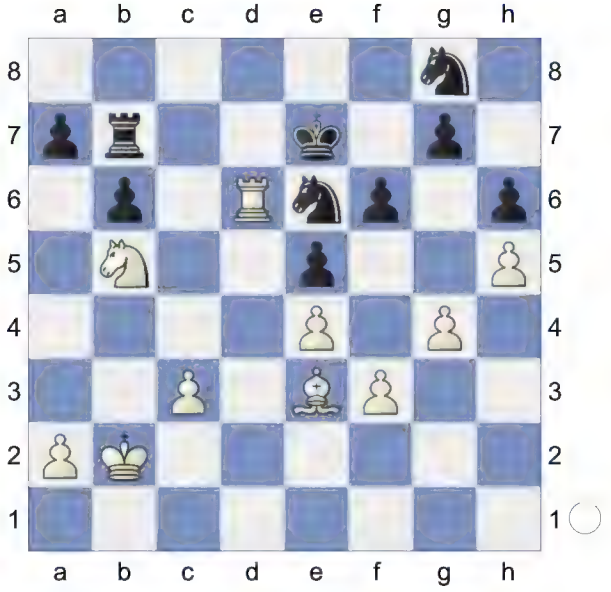
25.Ng3!± Kf8



26.Nf5 Ng8 27.Nd6 0.34/23
[27.Rd7± 0.92/21]
27...Rd8!± 28.Nb5 Discovered Attack
28...Rxd3 29.Rxd3 Rb7 30.Rd5 f6

(Diagram)

31.Rd6 Ke7 32.Rc6 -0.01/24
White has more active pieces.
[White should try 32.Rd3± 0.73/27]
32...Kd7!= 33.Rd6+ Ke7 ...a7-a6 would now be deadly. **34.Rc6** -0.01/23
[34.Rd1± 0.66/27]
34...Kd7 35.Rd6+ Ke7



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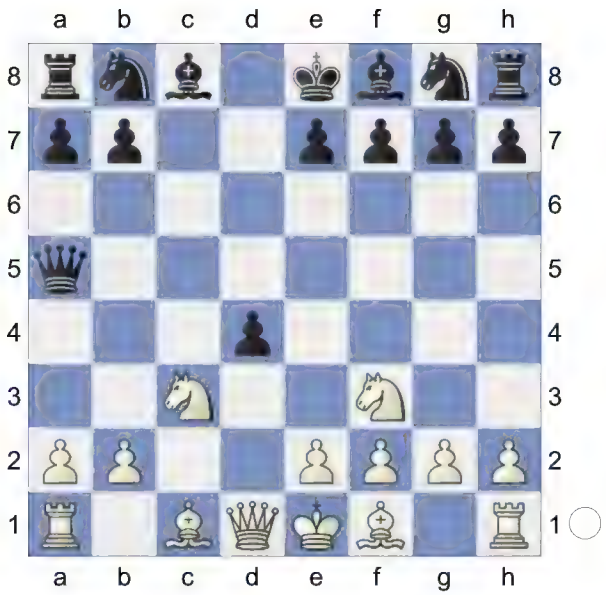
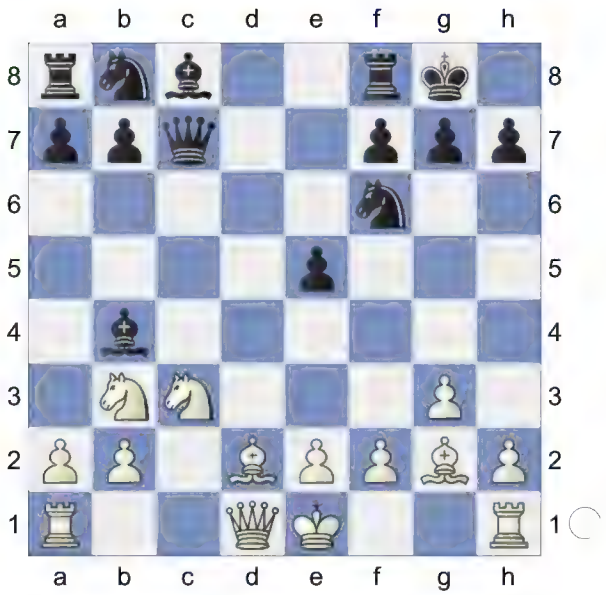
62 **D06**
□ **Vallejo Pons,F.** **2711**
■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2768**
World Blitz 2016 (14.12) 30.12.2016
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Qxd5N
[4...Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 20.Rfe1* Chapter Part-Games Game 11 (40)) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5. Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68)]
5.Nc3 Qa5

(Diagram)

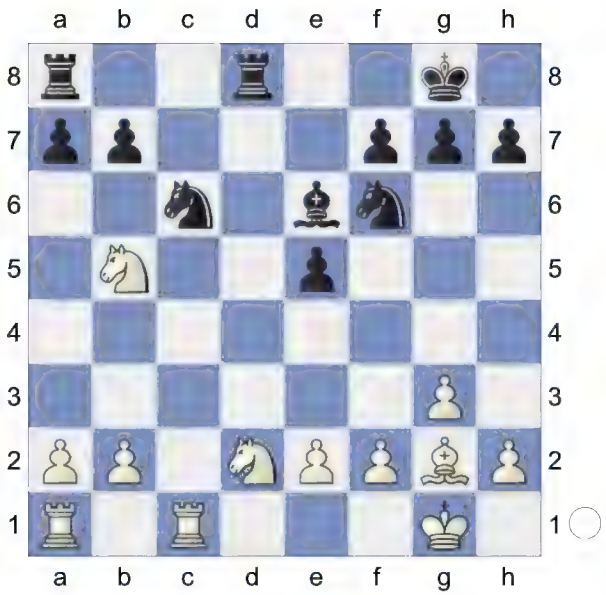


6.Nxd4 e5 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.g3 0.25/19
[8.Nd5± 0.61/18 Qd6 9.e4]
8...Bb4= 9.Bg2 Inhibits Qc6. **9...Nf6 10.Bd2 0-0**

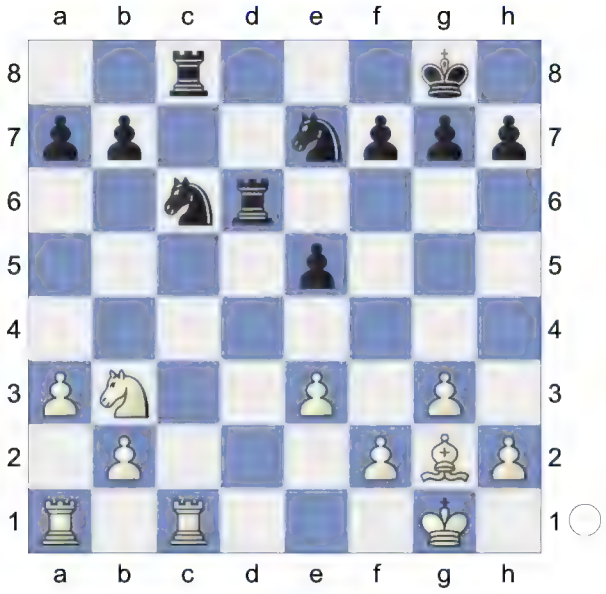


11.0-0 aiming for Nb5. **11...Rd8 12.Qc1! Be6 13.Nb5 Qxc1 14.Rfxc1 Bxd2 15.Nxd2 Nc6**

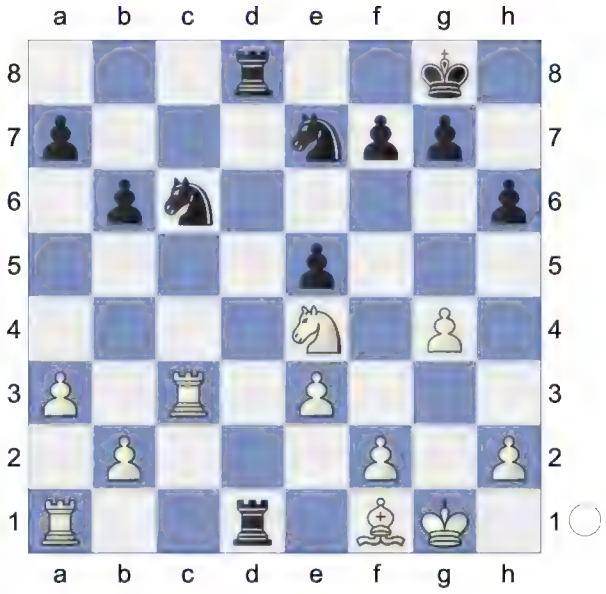
(Diagram)



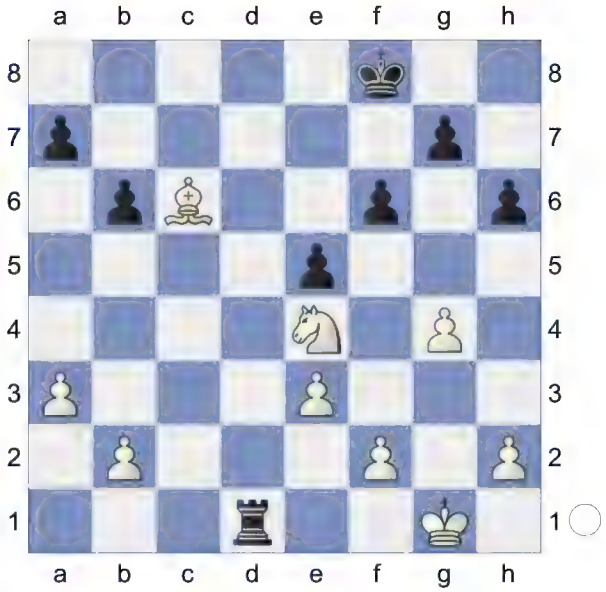
16.Nb3 Bd5 17.Nc7 Rac8 1.03/22
[17...Rab8± 0.68/23]
18.Nxd5± Nxd5 19.a3 0.40/20
[19.Nc5± 1.07/22 Nd4 20.Kf1]
19...Nde7± 20.e3 Rd6 0.73/22
[20...f5± 0.39/18]



21.Nc5± b6 22.Ne4 Rd7 23.Rc3 -0.05/21
[23.Bf1± 0.98/19]
23...Rcd8 0.97/22
[23...f5= -0.05/21]
24.Bf1 h6 1.22/23
[⌓24...f5 0.74/21]
25.g4 Hoping for Bb5. **25...Rd1**

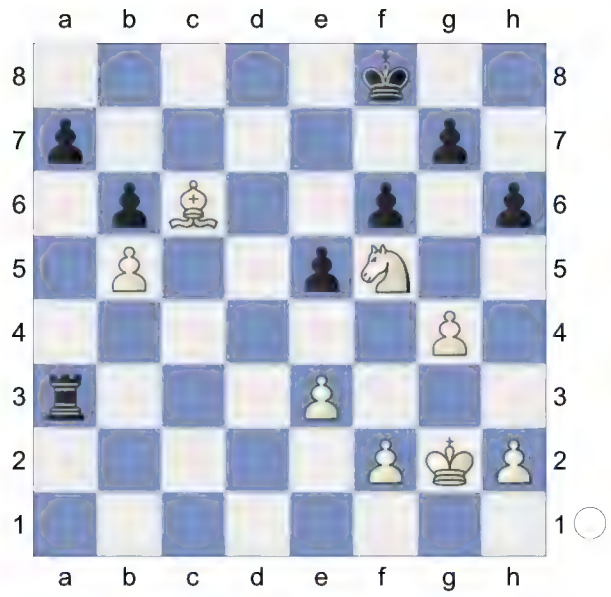


26.Rcc1 1.19/22
[⌓26.Rxd1 1.57/22 Rxd1 27.Kg2]
26...Rxc1 27.Rxc1 Kf8 28.Bb5 f6
29.Rxc6 1.09/28
[But not 29.Bxc6?! Rc8=]
[⌓29.b4 1.54/23]
29...Nxc6 30.Bxc6 Rd1+



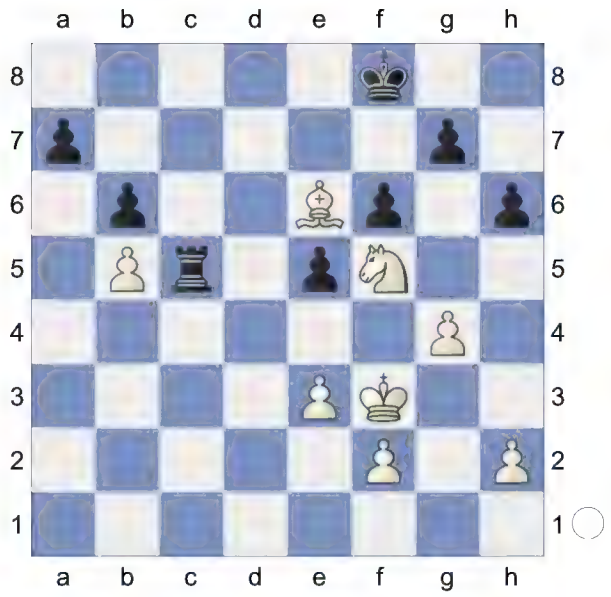
31.Kg2 Rb1 32.b4 Rb3 33.b5! Ke7
34.Ng3 Rxa3 35.Nf5+ Kf8

(Diagram)

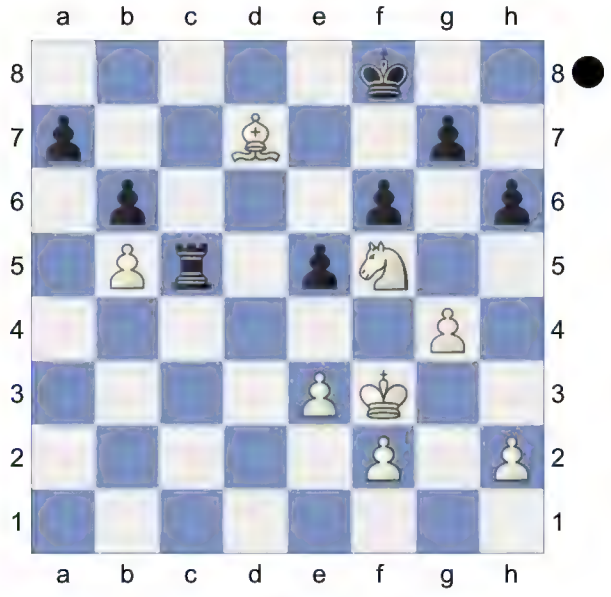


36.Kf3 0.50/23
[36.Bb7!± 1.06/22]
36...Rc3 1.03/23
[36...a5± 0.50/23]
37.Bd7 0.01/25
[37.Bb7!± 1.03/23]
37...Rc7 0.45/27
[37...g6!= 0.01/25 is more appropriate. 38.Nxh6 Ke7]
38.Be6? -1.91/25
[38.Bc6± 0.45/27 keeps the upper hand.]
38...Rc5-+ Black has strong compensation. **39.Bd7** -2.57/28
[39.Kg3 -1.97/23 was worth a try.]
39...Rc7? 0.37/28
[39...g6!-+ -2.57/28 40.Ng3 *(40.Nxh6? Kg7-+)* 40...Ke7]
40.Be6 -0.01/22
[40.Bc6± 0.37/28 should be considered.]
40...Rc5=

(Diagram)

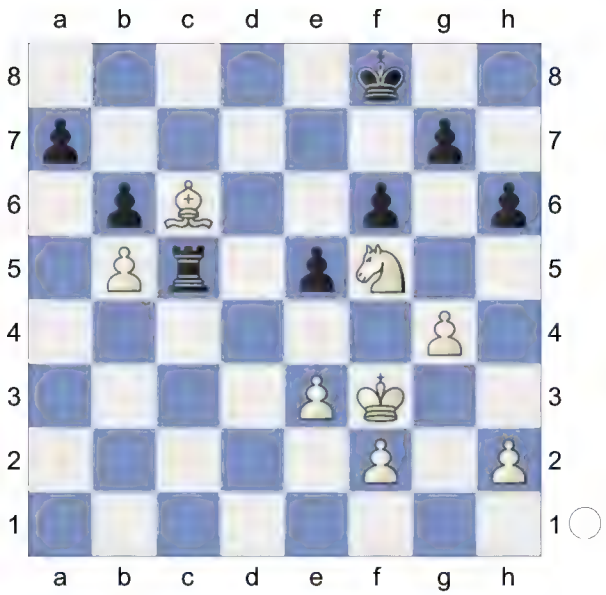


41.Bd7

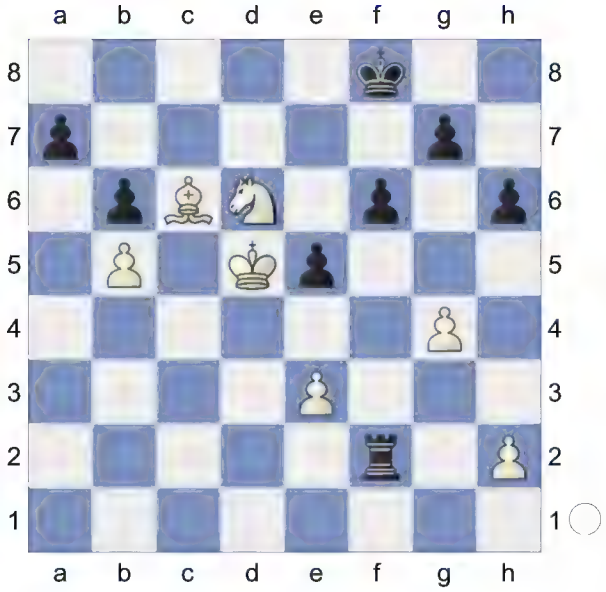


Rd5? 1.02/24
[41...g6!-+ -2.38/26 42.Ng3 *(42.Nxh6? Kg7-+)* 42...Ke7]
42.Bc6± Rc5

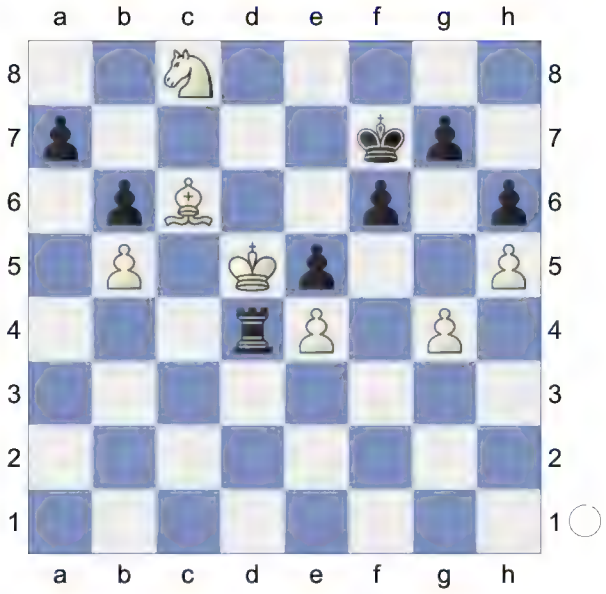
(Diagram)



And now ...a5 would win. **43.Nd6!** **Rc1**
44.Ke4 0.52/22
[44.Be4± 1.23/23]
44...Rc2 **45.Kd5** Strongly threatening Nc8. **45...Rxf2**



46.Nc8 **Ra2** 1.16/22
[46...Rd2+± 0.52/24 47.Ke6 Ra2]
47.h4 0.68/22
[47.Bb7± 1.16/22]
47...Ra4 1.45/23
[Black should play 47...Ra3± 0.68/22]
48.h5 0.69/22
[White should try 48.Kd6± 1.45/23]
48...Kf7 1.92/27
[48...Ra3± 0.69/22]
49.e4?? -#1/6
[49.Kd6+- 1.92/27]
49...Rd4#



Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/Black=0.38
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63 **D06**
□ **Dubov,Daniil** **2710**
■ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2847**
FTX Crypto Cup Prelim (9.8) 24.05.2021
[Justin Tan]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5!? The engines claim that White is better here. When you go a bit deeper, and use slightly better engines, the assessment becomes less clear. It's one of those lines, I think, where White has a slight pull but Black is close to equalising with best play.
3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6
[4...Qxd5
A) 5.e3!? Nf6 *(5...e5 6.Nc3 Bb4 7.exd4 exd4 8.Qxd4 Qxd4 9.Nxd4 Nf6 10.Ndb5 Ba5 11.Bg5±* This line is also possible for Black though it seems like a bit of suffering.*)* 6.exd4 e6 *(6...g6 7.Nc3 Qd6* may also be worth investigating from the black side.*)* 7.Nc3 Qd6 8.Bd3 and the reader should probably refer to the Anti-Sicilians section. For White, I this is a reasonable way to keep the tension.;
B) 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Nxd4 e5?! *(6...Nf6* transposes to the game continuation.*)* 7.Nb3 Qc7 occurred in Vallejo Pons - Mamedyarov, as analysed by Illingworth. The direct approach 8.Nb5 Qe7 9.Bg5 f6 10.Bd2 is clearly better for White. After Nc6 11.g3± White has full control over the h1-a8 diagonal, and the d5-square.]
5.Nxd4
[5.Qa4+ Qd7 6.Qxd4 Qxd5=]
5...Qxd5
[5...Nxd5 is the most reliable option. Black is close to equalising here. 6.e4 Nf6
A) 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Bxd7+
A1) 8...Nbxd7 9.Nc3 e6 *(9...e5?! 10.Nf5±)* 10.0-0 Bc5 11.Nf3 gives White an initiative. Qc7 Rainey,I - Mohit,S Gatineau 2010 12.Qe2 0-0 13.e5 Nd5 14.Nxd5 exd5 15.Rd1±;
A2) 8...Qxd7 9.e5!? is an independent line for White. *(9.Nc3 e5)* 9...Nd5 10.e6 fxe6 11.0-0 Nc6 12.Nxc6 Qxc6 13.Qd4⩲;
B) 7.Nc3 e5 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.Bxd7+ *(9.Nf5* is harmless. *Bxb5 10.Nxb5 Qa5+ 11.Nc3* Nisipeanu,L - Donchenko,A Apolda 2017. Here Black could have snagged the pawn with *Nxe4 12.0-0 Nxc3 13.bxc3 Nd7∞)* 9...Qxd7 10.Nc2 Qxd1+ 11.Kxd1 Nc6 12.Ke2 Bc5 13.Rd1 Rc8 14.f3 Ke7 15.Bg5 Ke6 Becsenescu,F - Martin Martin, O ICCF email 2015. For email players, this is probably quite an easy draw! In a practical game, though, White stands slightly better.]

(Diagram)

6.Nc3 Qa5 Since this is an online rapid game, the World Champion is adventurous in the opening. Catching the opponent off guard is a decent strategy in this time control, as they'll have a burning desire to punish you but they will also burn ample time! transposes to the game continuation.

[White is slightly better after 6...Qd8 7.Bf4 Nd5! 8.e3 *(8.Qd2 Nxf4 9.Qxf4±)* 8...Nxf4 9.exf4 g6 10.Bb5+ Nd7 11.Qe2 a6 12.Ba4± but the initiative is manageable for Black to fight against.]

7.e4?! A typical pawn sacrifice from Dubov. It is objectively incorrect, but that may be a bit harsh if we take into account the element of style/creative license.

[Some engines give 7.Qd3 Bd7 8.g3 Nc6 9.Bg2 e6 10.Nb3 Qh5 11.0-0 Be7 It is clear that White has an advantage here, but to what degree? Evidently, Carlsen believed it was manageable for a rapid game.]

[Most promising to me is the very direct 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.Nb5 *(8.e4 Nc6 9.Be3 e5* It is slightly hard to believe that this was Carlsen's idea. It is not losing for Black, or anything too disturbing, but it doesn't seem all that pleasant.*)* 8...Qe5 9.e4! Carlsen probably made a bet that Dubov wouldn't find this move. Now that it has been revealed, I doubt he would repeat this (although 5...Nxd5 is still worth considering). a6 *(9...Nxe4?? 10.f4* is the point of White's previous move. The knight on b5 needed to be protected first in order to play f4.*; 9...Qxe4+?? 10.Be2+-* is losing for Black as White gains a large development advantage.*; 9...e6 10.Qd4 Qxd4 11.N3xd4 Na6 12.f3 Be7 13.Be3±)* 10.Nc3 Nc6 11.f4 Qc7 12.e5 Bg4 13.Be2 Rd8 14.Bd2 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Nd5 16.e6 fxe6 17.0-0±]

7...Bd7?!

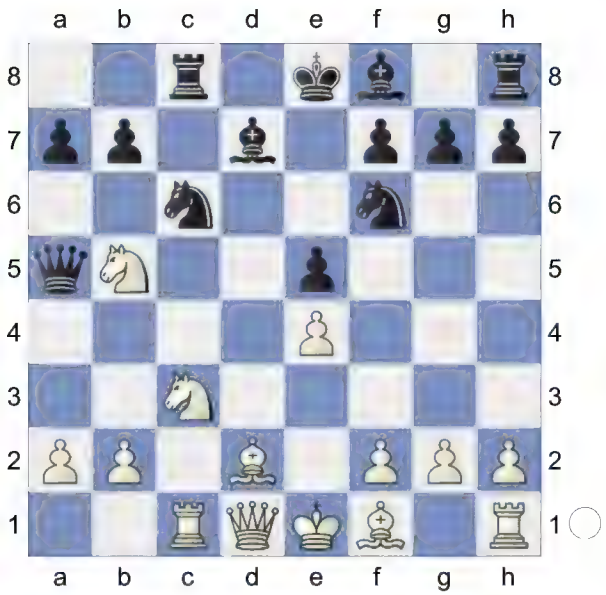
[7...Nxe4 Dubov probably counted on a line like 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.0-0 *(*Another likely possibility was *9.Qb3 Nxc3 10.bxc3 Bxb5 11.Nxb5 a6 12.Nd4 e5 13.0-0! Qc7!∞* This is White's best line, and there is some compensation to show for the pawn in the form of a development advantage.*)* 9...Nxc3 10.Bxd7+ Nxd7 11.bxc3 giving him compensation. It transpires, however, that Black can just play e5!∓ and castle long.]

8.Bd2

[The players both disregard the natural 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Be3±]

8...Nc6 9.Ndb5 Now Black is more or less fine. This was White's last chance to retreat the knight back to b3. **9...Rc8 10.Rc1 e5!?**

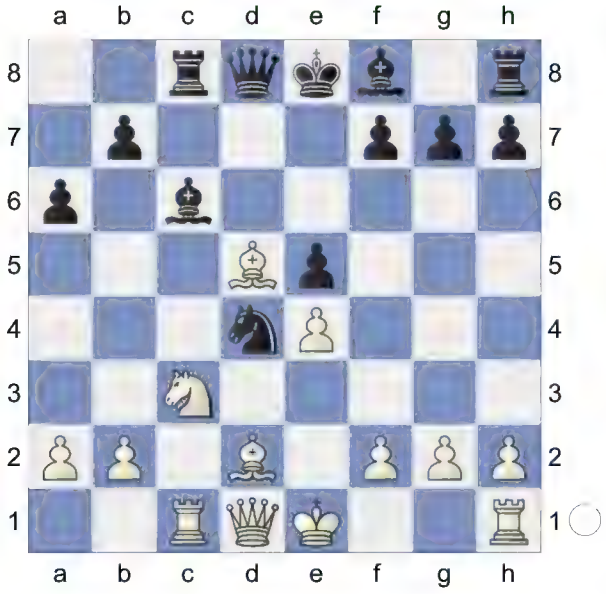
(Diagram)



Ambitious from the World Champion. **11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4** This now resembles a Sveshnikov, in the fight between the d5- and d4-squares. **14.Bb3 Nxd5**

[14...h6 15.0-0 Bc5 is the engine's cool-headed recommendation.]

15.Bxd5 Bc6



16.0-0

[16.Qh5 Bxd5 17.Nxd5 Rxc1+ 18.Bxc1 Bd6 19.0-0 0-0 20.Be3 is risk-free for White.]

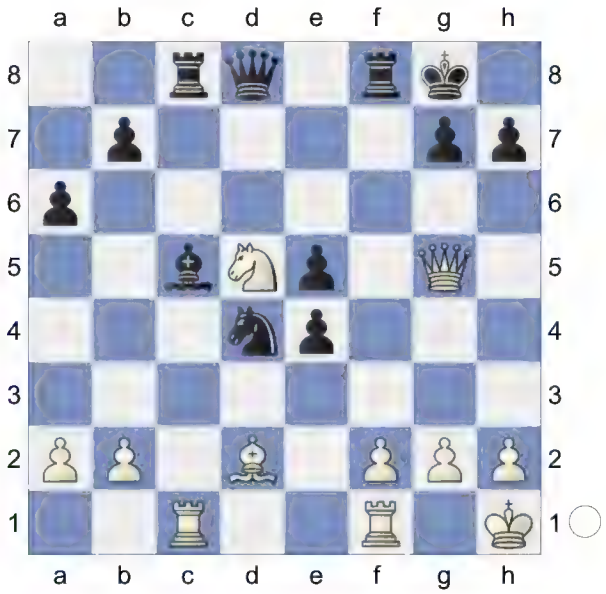
16...Bc5 17.Qg4

[17.Qh5 again offers White chances of an advantage. Qf6 18.Kh1 and the prospect of f4 next is fairly intimidating. Still Black may be OK. 0-0 19.f4 exf4 20.Rxf4 Qg6]

17...0-0 18.Kh1 Probably underestimating Black's counterplay a bit. He may also have missed 23...Rxd5 before heading into the line. **18...Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5! 20.Qg5?!** A flawed plan.

[20.Qh3 fxe4 21.Nc3∞]

20...fxe4



21.Qxe5?

[21.Nc3 and White is still not doing too badly.]

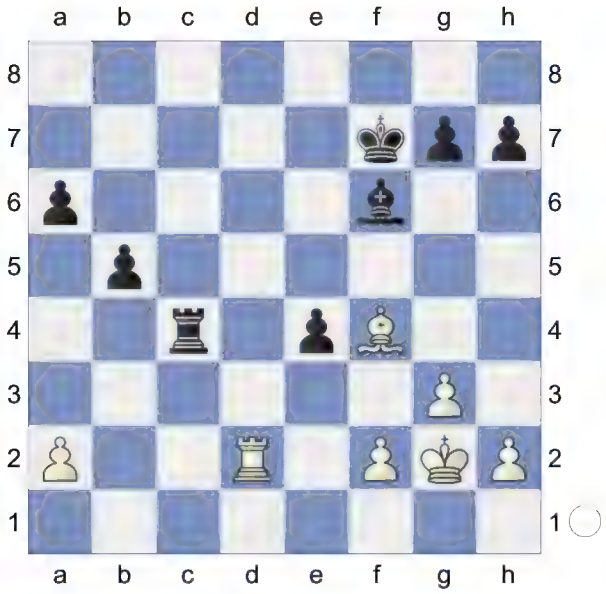
21...Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8∓ This is somewhere between clearly better and winning for Black. **25.g3**

[25.Bg5 Rc8 The engines suggest that this is better than the game continuation, which is losing for White. I guess the point is that 26.Be3 Bxb2 27.Rd1 gives White some activity.]

25...Bxb2

(Diagram)

26.Bf4 b5-+ Carlsen had no issue converting from here. Smooth victory :) **27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7**



31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4

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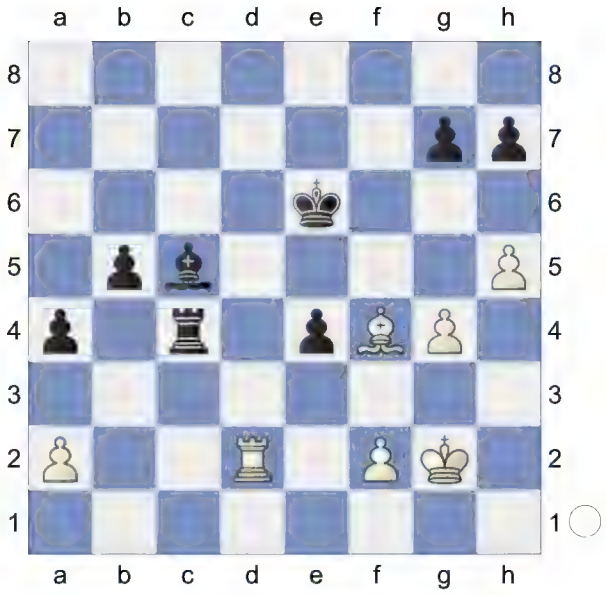
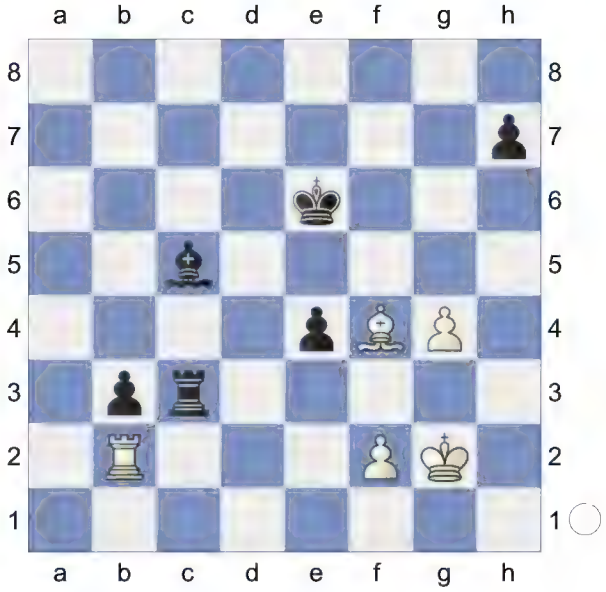


36.h6 gxh6 37.Bxh6 b4 38.Bf4 b3 39.axb3 axb3 40.Rb2 Rc3



41.Rb1 Kd5

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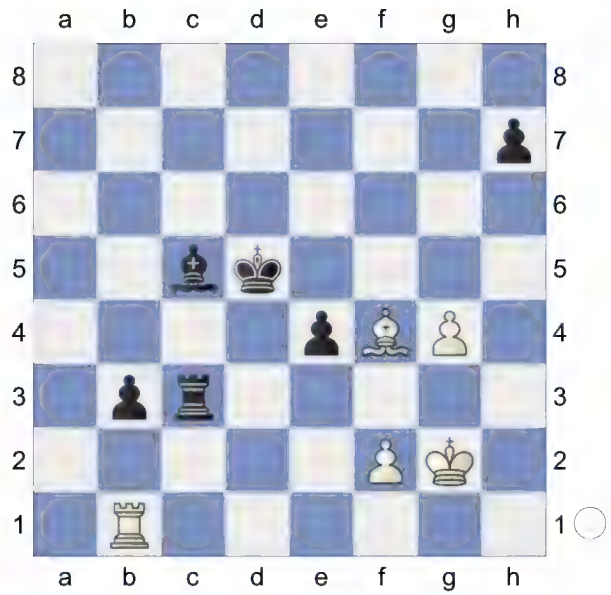

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64 **D06**
□ **oyoy23** **2709**
■ **limpopo777** **2708**
Blitz 18.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.?d2 h6 10.?e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5

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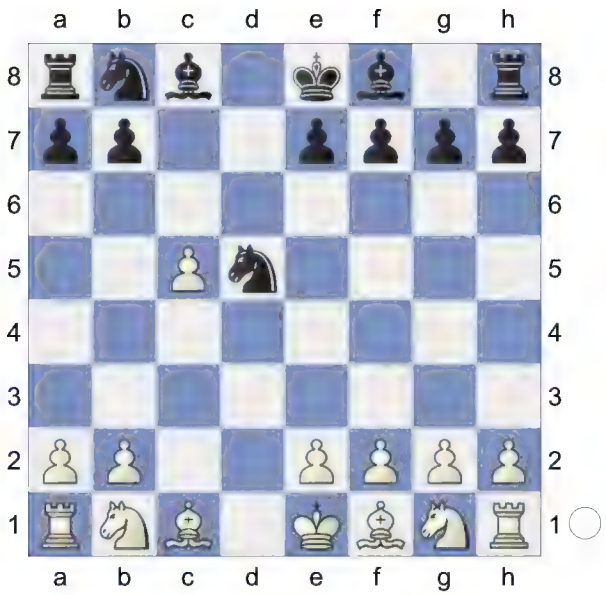
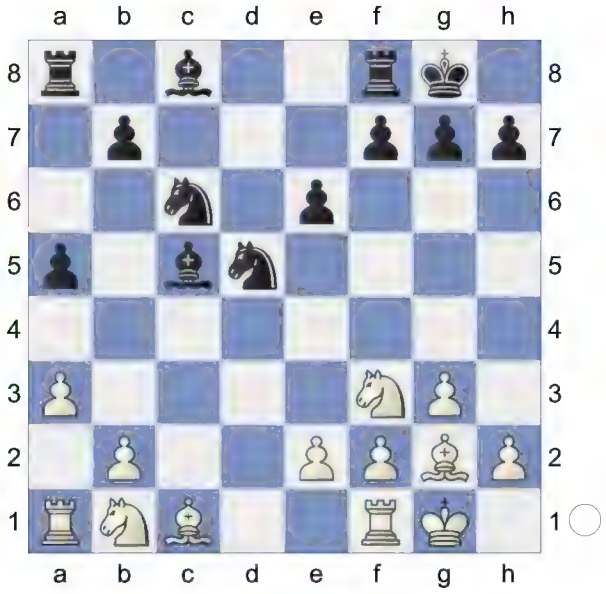


6.a3
[6.e4!? Nb4 7.Na3± *(7.Bb5+ Bd7=)*]
6...e6 7.g3 -0.06/20
[7.e4 0.29/19 might be stronger. Nf6 8.Nc3]
7...Bxc5 8.Bg2 The position is equal.
8...Nc6 9.Nf3 0-0 10.0-0 a5



11.Bd2! a4 12.Rc1 Be7 13.Nc3 Nxc3 14.Bxc3 Bd7 0.61/21
[14...Rd8= 0.25/18]
15.Ne5!± Rfd8

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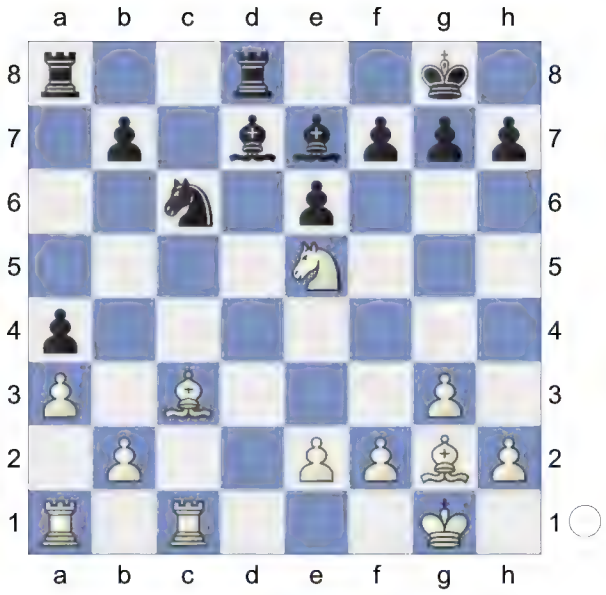
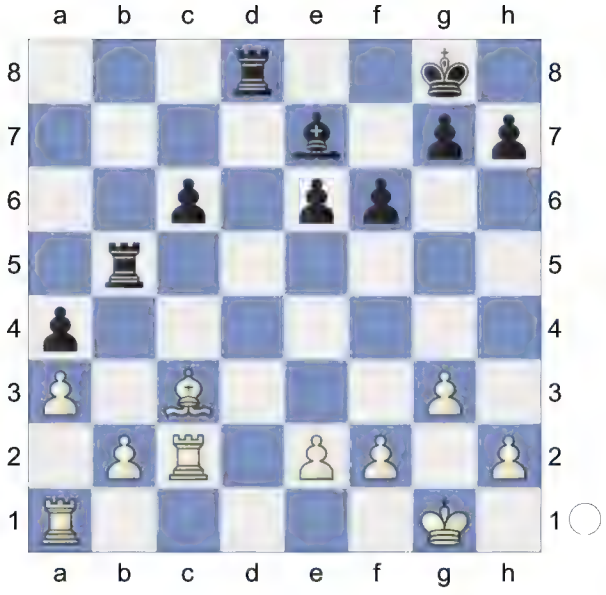


16.Nxc6 0.01/21
[White should try 16.Nxd7± 0.60/21 Rxd7 17.e3]
16...Bxc6= 17.Bxc6 bxc6 18.Rc2 Rab8 19.Be5 Rb5 20.Bc3 f6



21.Rac1 Kf7 22.Kf1 e5 23.Ke1 h5 24.Rd1 -0.40/20
[24.Bd2= -0.08/19]
24...Rbd5

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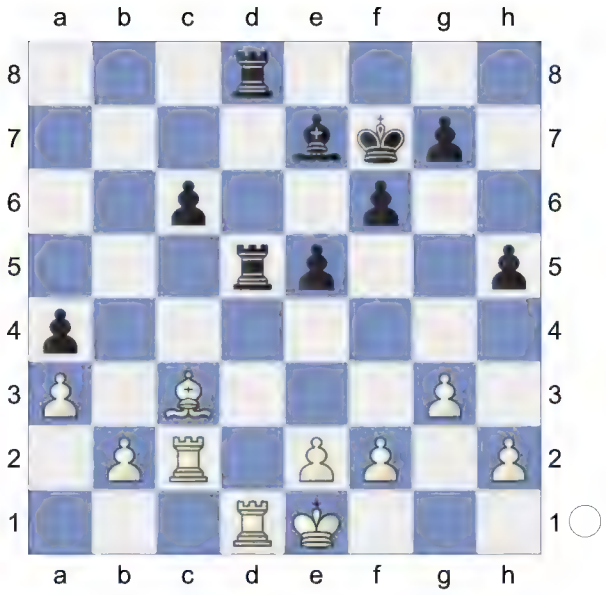
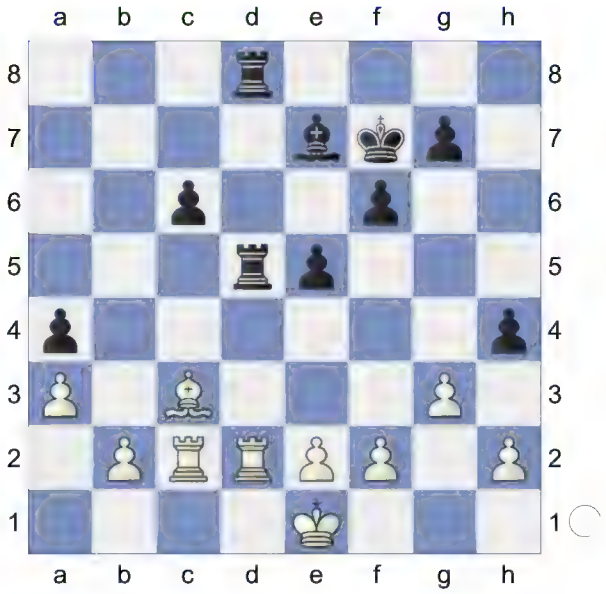


25.Rdd2 h4 0.06/21
[25...Ke6 -0.25/20 deserves consideration.]



26.e4 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 -0.25/23
[⌓27.Bxd2 0.15/23 hxg3 28.hxg3]
27...Rxd2 28.Kxd2 Endgame KB-KB
28...Bc5 29.Ke2 h3 30.f3? -1.86/25
[30.Kf3!= -0.30/24 and White has nothing to worry.]

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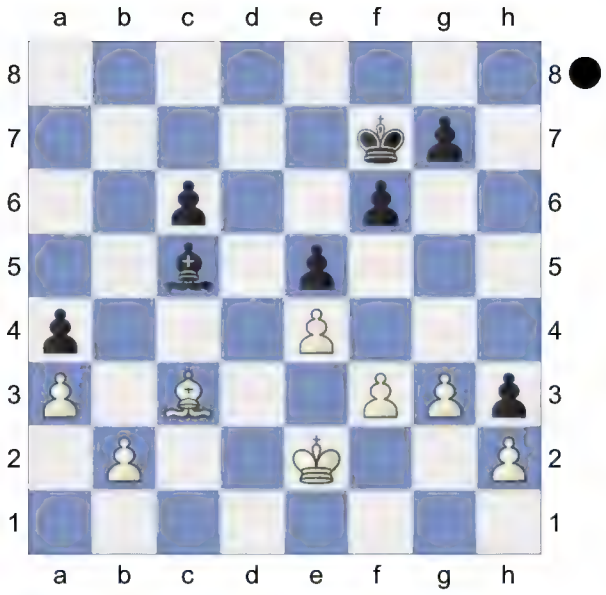
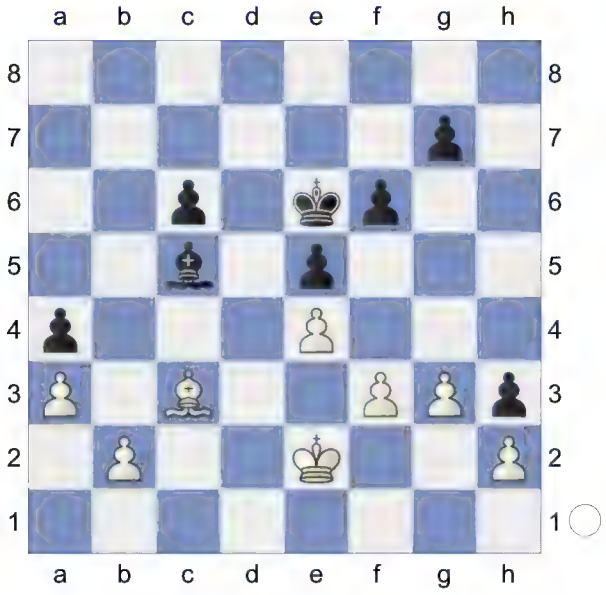


This costs White the game. **30...Ke6**



31.g4? -5.03/30
[31.Be1 -1.64/24 is tougher.]
31...g6-+ 32.Kf1 Be3 33.Be1 Bf4
34.Bg3 -15.48/25
[⌓34.Kg1 -4.14/23 Be3+ 35.Kf1]
34...Bc1 -6.01/24
[⌓34...Bxg3 -15.48/25 35.hxg3 g5]

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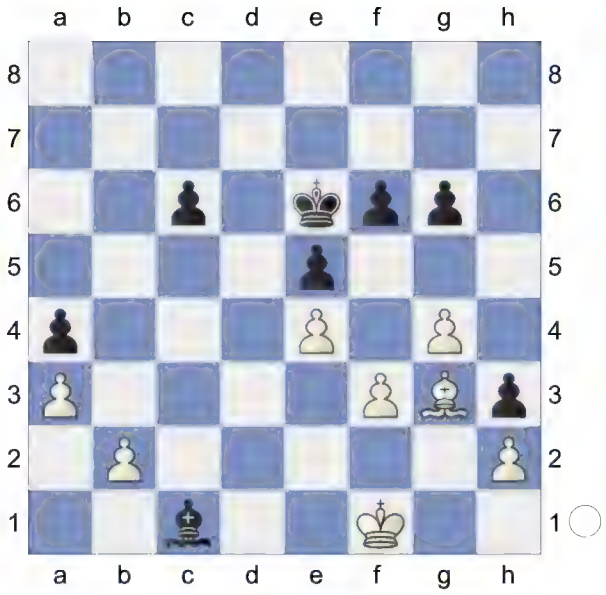

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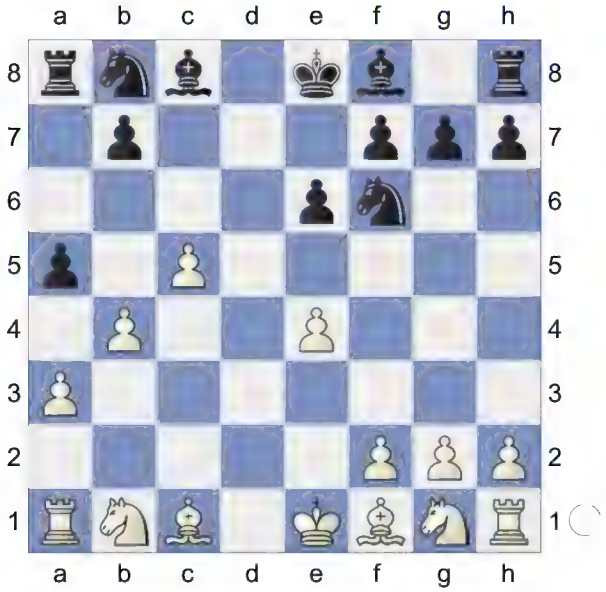
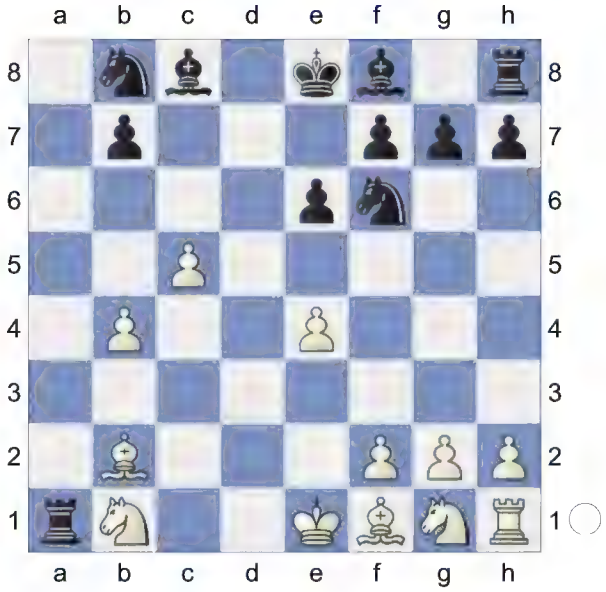
65 **D06**
□ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2708**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2802**
CrunchLab Masters Div 2 L (6.3) 22.7.24
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.dxc5 Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5**

6.a3 e2-e4 is in the air
[6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 e5 8.Nf3 f6 9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bb5 Bxc5 11.Ke2 *(11.0-0 Bd7 12.Rfc1 Be7* D 06/01 2003*)* 11...Ke7 12.Rhc1 b6 13.Nc4 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Nxa6 15.Ne3 Bxe3 16.Kxe3 Rhc8 17.Rc4 Nd8 18.Rac1 Rxc4 19.Rxc4 Ne6 20.b4 Nac7 0-1 Kortschnoj,V (2625)-Piket,J (2590) 58/388 Antwerpen 1993]
6...e6 7.e4N
[7.Nf3 Bxc5 8.b4 Be7 9.Bb2 0-0 10.Nbd2 b6 11.e4 Nf6 12.Rc1 Ba6 13.Bxa6 Nxa6 14.Ke2 Rac8 15.Nd4 Nb8 16.f3 a6 17.N4b3 Rfd8 18.Bd4 Nfd7 19.Nc4 Rc6 20.Nxb6 Rxb6 21.Bxb6 Nxb6 4 Chapter-Games Chapter 14 Game]
7...Nf6 8.b4 The position is equal.
8...a5!

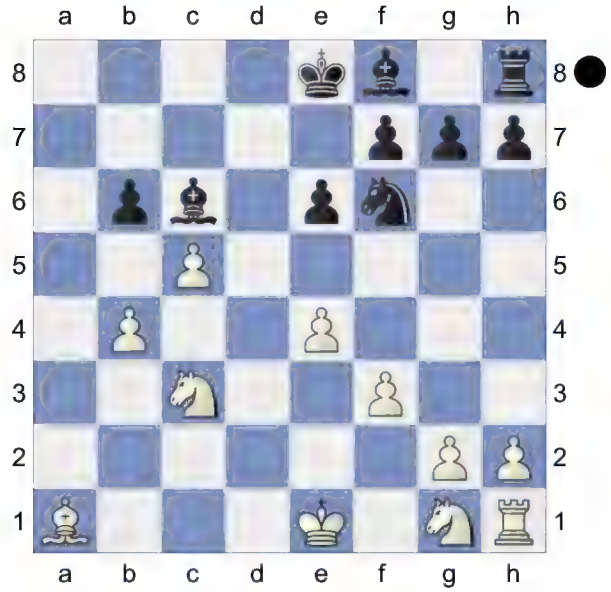


Hoping for ...a5xb4. **9.Bb2! axb4**
10.axb4 Rxa1

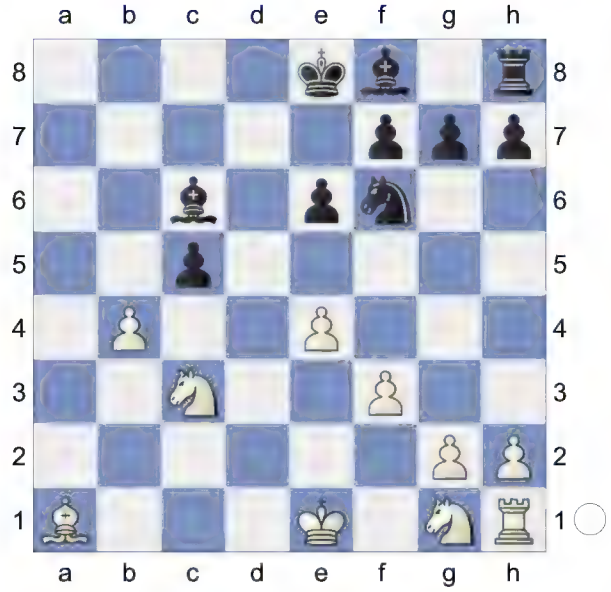


11.Bxa1 Nc6 0.87/21
[11...Na6± 0.41/20 was preferable.]
12.Bb5↑ White fights for an advantage.
12...Bd7 1.41/22
[12...Nxe4± 0.62/22 13.Nc3 Nf6]
13.Bxc6 0.28/22
[13.Bxf6± 1.41/22 gxf6 14.Bxc6 Bxc6 15.Nc3]

13...Bxc6= 14.f3 b6 15.Nc3



And now b4-b5 would win. **15...bxc5**



16.b5 Bb7 17.Nge2 c4 1.11/19
[17...Bd6= 0.02/22 remains equal.]
18.Na4± Ba3 1.46/19
[Black should try 18...h5 0.85/20]
19.Bb2 Bb4+ 20.Bc3 Bxc3+

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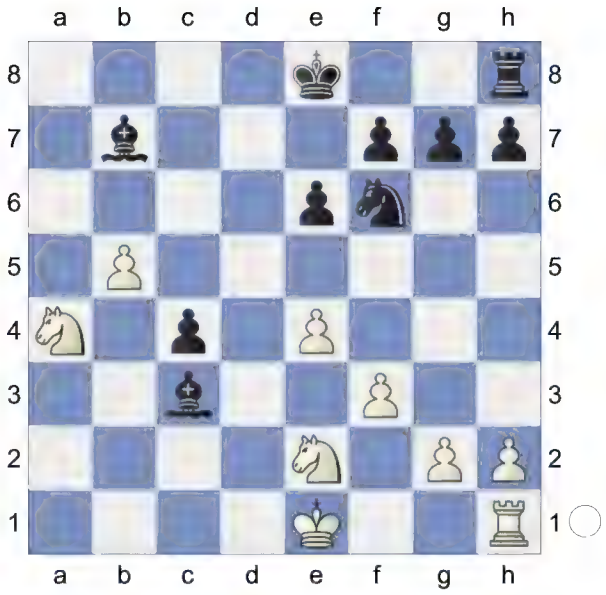
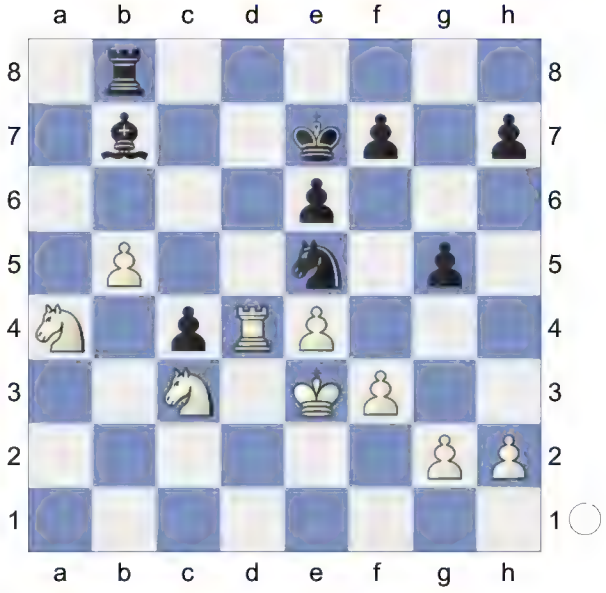
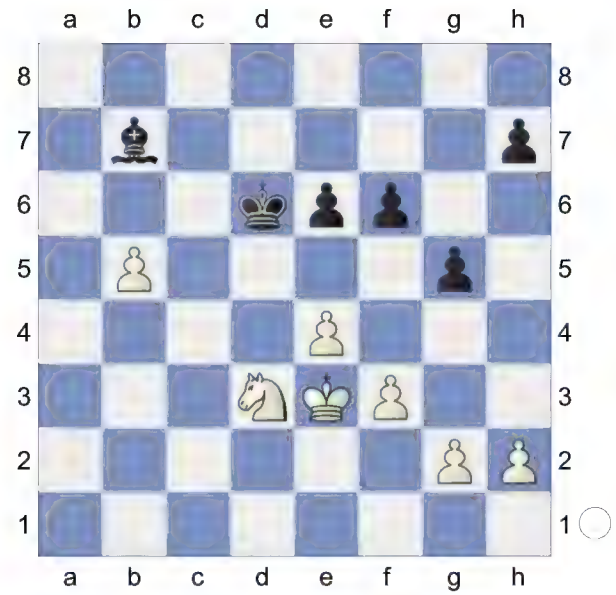


21.Nexc3 Nd7 Dodges Na4-c5 **22.Ke2 Ke7 23.Rd1 g5** 1.40/21
[⌓23...Rf8 0.95/19]
24.Ke3 Rb8 1.72/20
[24...f5± 1.13/20]
25.Rd4+- Ne5



26.Nb6 f6 27.Nxc4 White is more active. A dynamic duo of knights.
27...Rc8 28.Nxe5 Rxc3+? 3.55/22
[28...fxe5 1.66/26 29.Rd3 Rc5]
29.Rd3 Rxd3+ 30.Nxd3 KB-KN. White is a pawn up. **30...Kd6**
(Diagram)



Dodges Nd3-c5 **31.Kd4 e5+ 32.Kc4 g4** 11.72/25

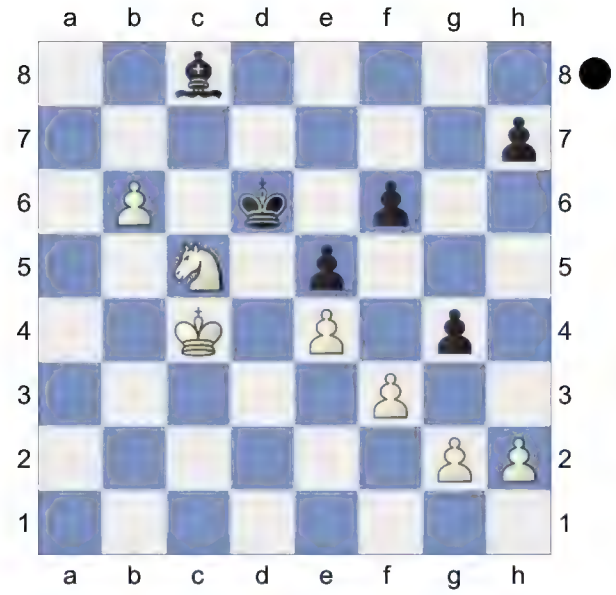
[⌓32...Bc8 4.07/24 33.h3 Be6+ 34.Kb4 Ba2]

33.Nc5

[Less strong is 33.fxg4 Bxe4 34.Ne1 Bd5+ 35.Kb4 Bb7±]

33...Bc8 34.b6

[34.fxg4 Bxg4 35.Kb4 Be2+-]



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66 **D06**
□ **Harikrishna,P.** **2704**
■ **Gustafsson,J.** **2602**
Titled Tue 11th Mar Late blitz (3) 11.3.25
[Kitty Kat]

D27: Queen's Gambit Accepted: Classical main line: 7 e4!? and 7 a4 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3**
[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
3...Nf6 4.Nc3N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.exd4 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.cxd5 *(7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 Nxe3 12.fxe3 Bf5 13.Qb3 Rb8 14.a4 Qd6* 5 Chapter-Games Game*)* 7...Nxd5 8.Qb3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 0-0 10.Be2 Nc6 11.0-0 b6 12.Rd1 Bb7 13.Be3 e6 14.Rac1 Rc8 15.Qa4 Qc7 16.c4 Ne7 17.d5 Nf5 18.Bd2 Rfe8 8 Chapter-Games Game]
4...dxc4 5.Bxc4 e6

(Diagram)

6.Nf3 a6 7.a4 Nc6 8.0-0 Be7 9.dxc5 Qxd1 10.Rxd1 Bxc5

11.b3
[11.h3 b6 12.e4 Na5 13.Bd3 Nb3 14.Rb1 Nxc1 15.Rbxc1 Bd7 16.e5 Nd5 17.Be4 Nxc3 18.Rxc3 Rd8 19.a5 Bb5 20.Rxd8+ Kxd8 21.Ng5 Kd7 22.axb6 Bxb6 23.Rf3 f5 24.exf6 gxf6 25.Rxf6 Bd4 ½-½ Bareev,E (2665)-Kasparov,G (2795) Novgorod 1997 (8)]
[11.Nd2 Ke7 12.Nb3 Bb4 13.Na2 Bd6 ½-½ Laurusas,T (2573)-Teclaf,P

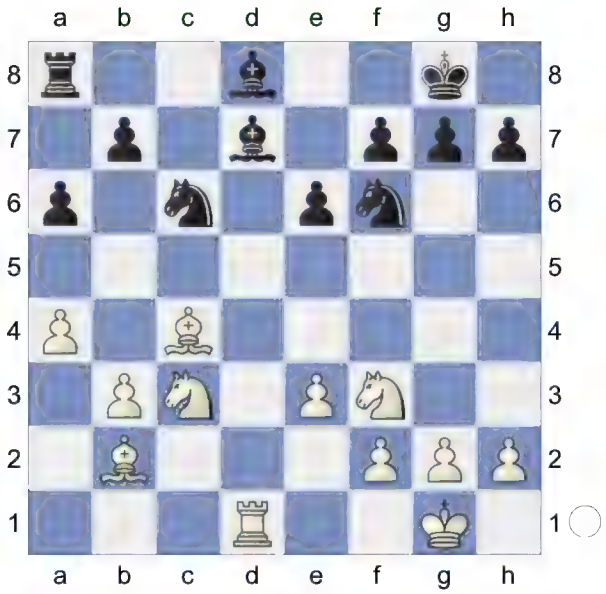
(2552) POL-chT Ekstraliga 2024 (6.3)]

11...0-0 12.Bb2 Be7N

[12...b6 13.Ng5 Bb7 14.Nce4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 Na5 16.Nxc5 bxc5 #5 12. Vienna 5.e3 a6 6.a4-Vienna 5.e3 a6 with 9.dxc5]

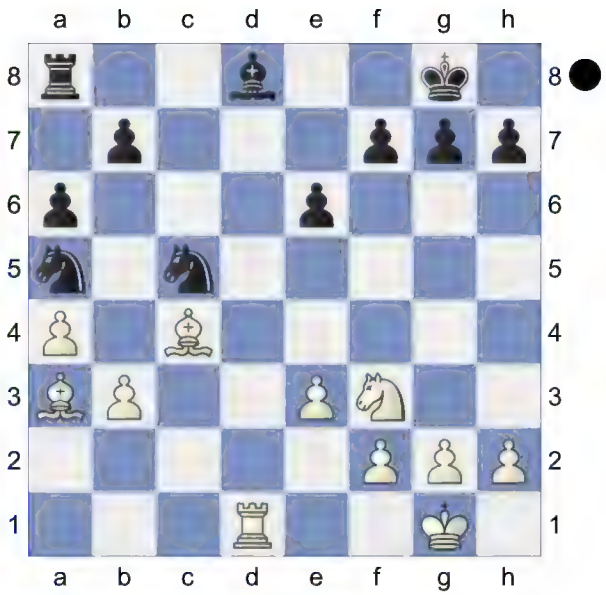
13.Rac1 Rd8 14.Rxd8+ The position is equal. **14...Bxd8 15.Rd1 Bd7** 0.39/20

[15...Be7= 0.05/19 is more appropriate.]



16.Ne4 -0.77/22 **Nxe4∓ 17.Rxd7 Nc5** Pair of Knights! **18.Rd1 Na5! 19.Ba3**

(Diagram)

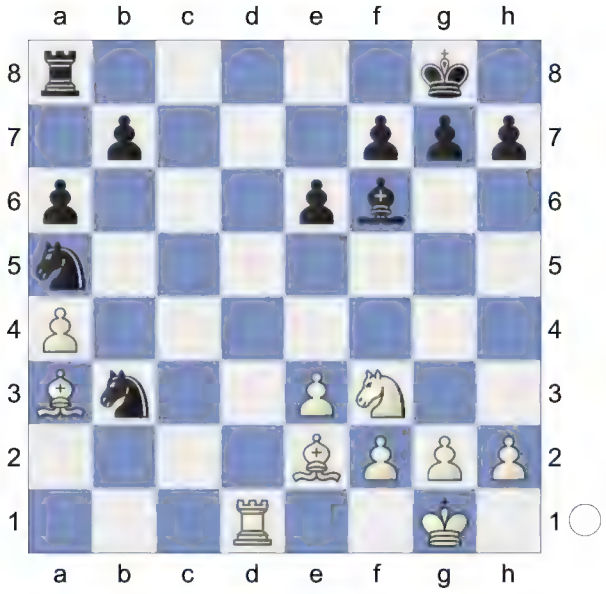


Ncxb3 -0.38/22

[Black should play 19...Nxa4!∓ -1.11/22 aiming for ...Bf6! 20.Ne5 *(20.Bxa6 Nc3)* 20...Nb6]

[19...Naxb3?! 20.Rb1 Na5 21.Bxc5=]

20.Be2 Bf6

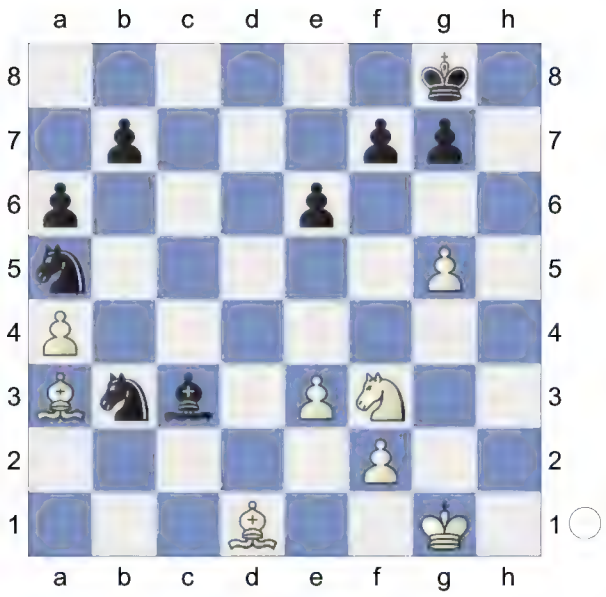


21.g4 h6 Prevents g5. **22.h4** -0.90/22

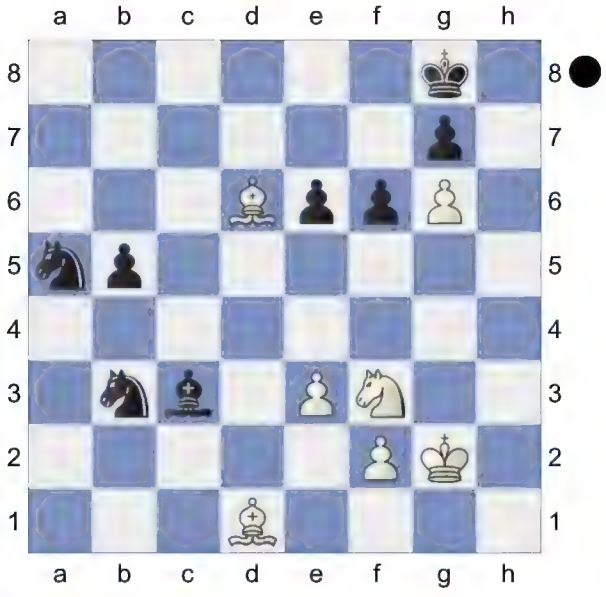
[White should try 22.Rb1!∓ -0.32/21]

22...Rd8! 23.g5 Rxd1+ 24.Bxd1 hxg5 25.hxg5 Bc3

(Diagram)

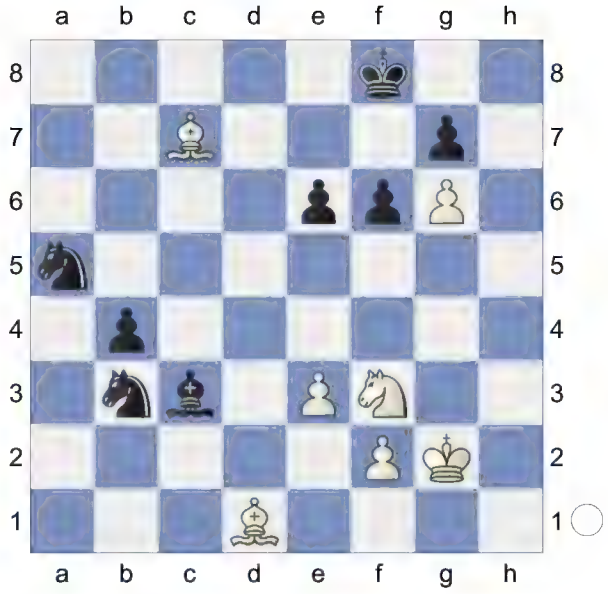


26.g6 -1.36/25
[⌓26.Be2 -0.91/22]
26...f6? 0.32/24
[26...fxg6∓ -1.36/25 27.Bc2 *(27.Ng5 Nd2)* 27...b5 28.axb5 axb5]
27.Kg2 -0.81/25
[27.Be2!± 0.32/24 is the one way to stay ahead. stays ahead.]
27...b5! 28.axb5 axb5 29.Bd6



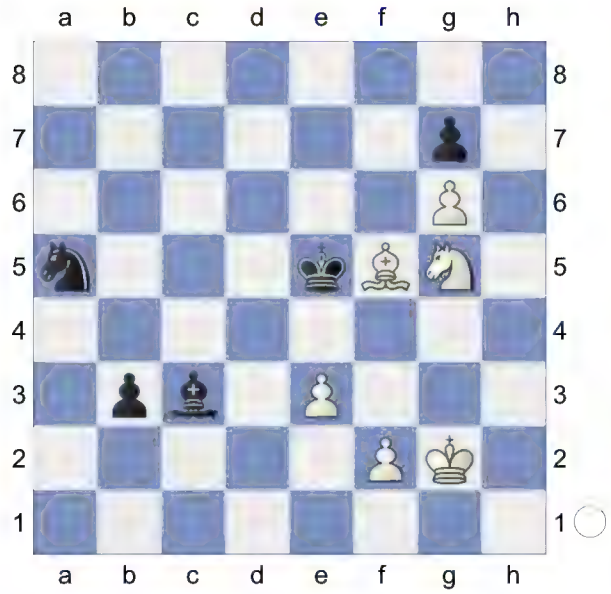
b4 -0.21/23
[29...Nc1!∓ -0.85/22 ...b4 is the strong threat. 30.Nd4 *(30.Be7 Nc4)* 30...b4 31.Nxe6 b3]

30.Bc7!= Kf8

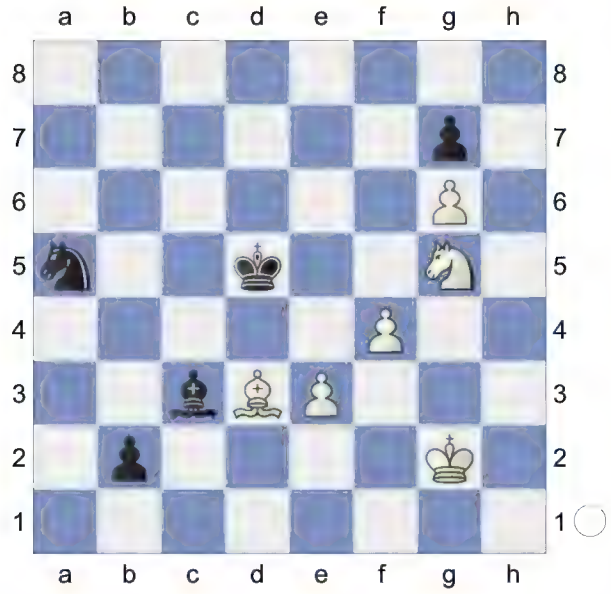


31.Bd6+ Ke8 32.Be2 -0.85/22
[32.Kg3= -0.24/22 keeps the balance.]
[32.Kh2= -0.27/24]
32...Kd7 -0.35/22
[32...Nc1∓ -0.85/22 33.Bb5+ Kd8]
[32...Nc6∓ -1.41/23 And now ...Nb3-a5 would win. 33.Bc4 Nba5 *(33...Kd7 34.Bxb4 Nxb4 35.Bxb3∓)* 34.Bxe6 b3]
33.Bf8∓ A strong pair of Bishops. **33...f5**
34.Bb5+ Kc7 35.Ng5 Kb6

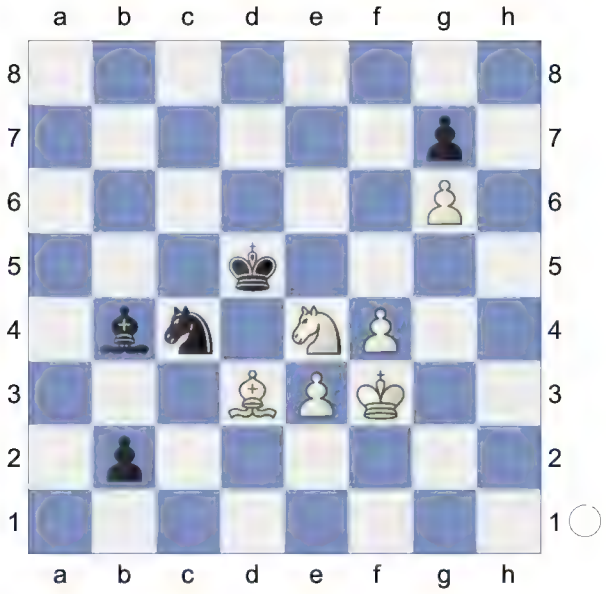
36.Bd3
[36.Bd7!? Nc5□ 37.Bxc5+ Kxc5 38.Bxe6∓]
36...Nc5
[36...Nc1? 37.Bb1+-]
37.Bxc5+ Remove Defender **37...Kxc5**
38.Nxe6+= Endgame KBN-KBN
38...Kd6 39.Bxf5 b3 40.Ng5 Ke5 0.01/19
[40...Ke7∓ -0.36/22]



41.Bd3 b2 42.f4+ Kd5

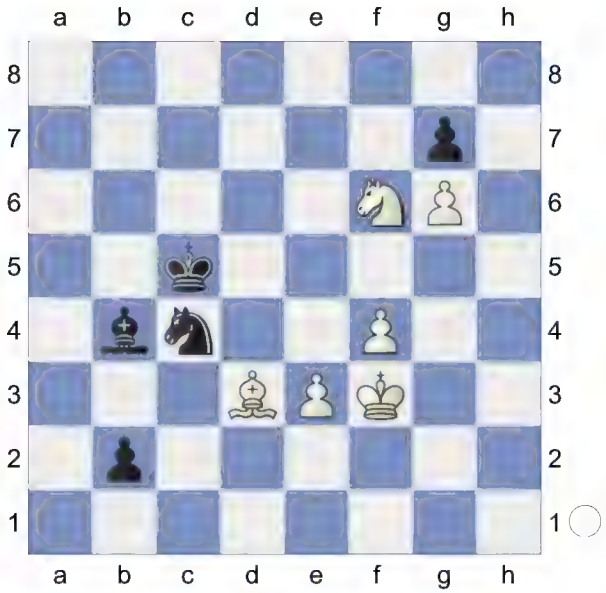


43.Kf3 0.01/19 &Bianco is more active.
[Better is 43.e4+!± 0.76/19 Kc6 44.e5]
[43.Ne4!? Bb4 44.Nf6+ Kc6 *(44...gxf6? 45.g7+-)* 45.e4±]
43...Nc4 44.Ne4 Bb4

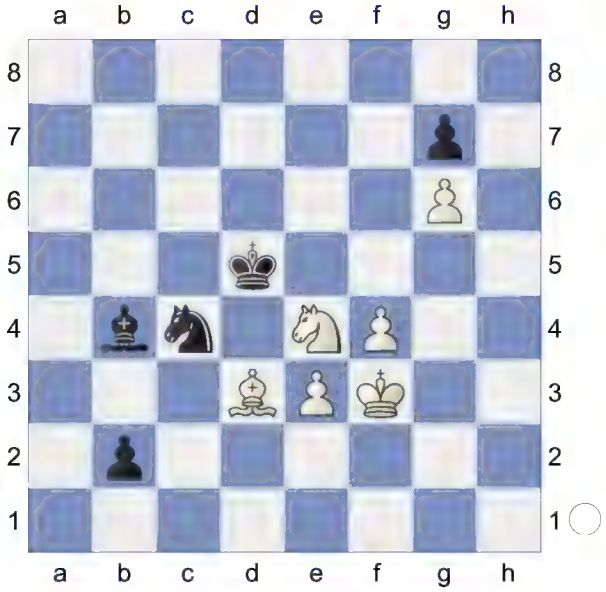


45.Nf6+! Kc5 0.67/24
[45...gxf6? 46.g7
A) 46...Nd6 47.g8Q++- *(47.g8R Bd2+-)*;
B) 46...Nd2+ 47.Kg2+-;
C) 46...Kc5 47.g8Q+-]
[Black should play 45...Kc6= 0.01/24 46.e4]

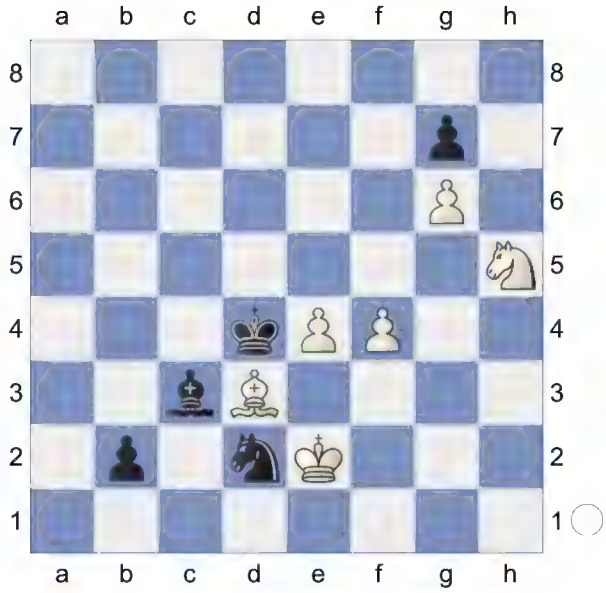
(Diagram)



46.Ne4+ -0.13/22
[46.Ke2!± 0.67/24]
46...Kd5 Black has compensation.



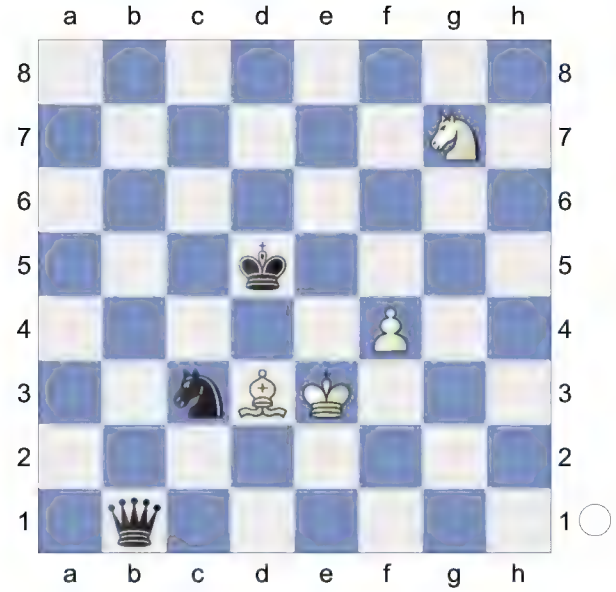
47.Nf6+! Promotion **47...Kc5**
[47...gxf6? 48.g7 Kc5 49.g8Q+-]
48.Nh5 0.01/25 **Bc3! 49.e4** 0.01/22
[49.Ke2± 0.39/25 should be considered.]
49...Kd4? 1.90/22
[49...Kd6!= 0.01/22 and Black has nothing to worry.]
[49...Kb4= 0.00/23]
50.Ke2+- Nd2? 5.21/23
[50...Kc5± 1.94/26 is tougher. might work better. 51.Bc2 *(51.e5 Bxe5 52.fxe5 Nxe5±)* 51...Kb4]



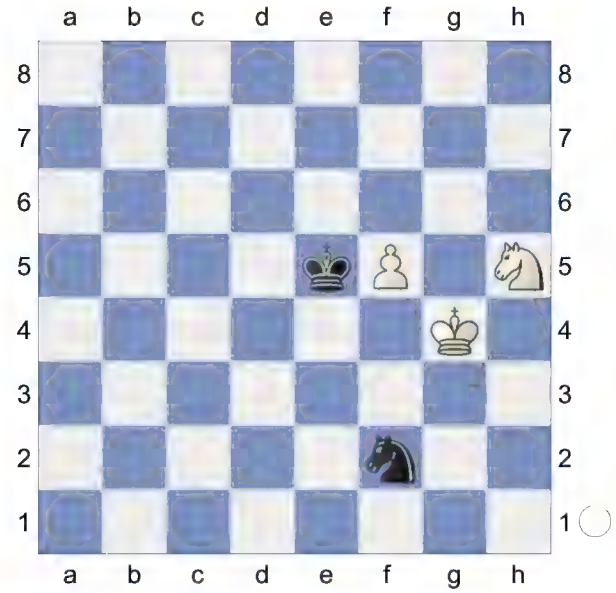
51.Nxg7 2.07/22
[⌓51.e5 4.14/23 Ne4 52.Bc2 *(52.Nxg7?* is the wrong capture. *Ng3+* Deflection *53.Kf3 Kxd3-+)*]
51...Nxe4+- 52.Nf5+ Kd5

53.g7? 0.00/32
[White has to play 53.Ne3+!+- 3.17/24 Kd4 54.g7]
53...Bxg7!= 54.Nxg7 Nc3+ 55.Ke3

b1Q

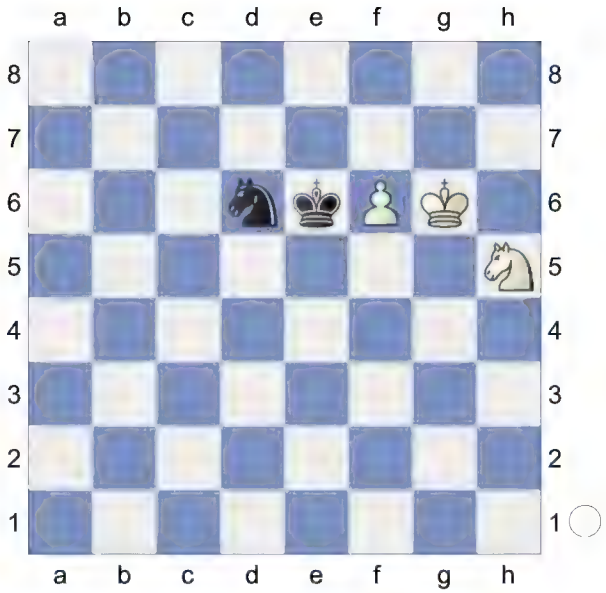


56.Bxb1 Nxb1 KN-KN KN-KN. White is a pawn up. **57.Kf3 Nc3 58.Kg4 Ne4 59.f5 Ke5 60.Nh5 Nf2+**

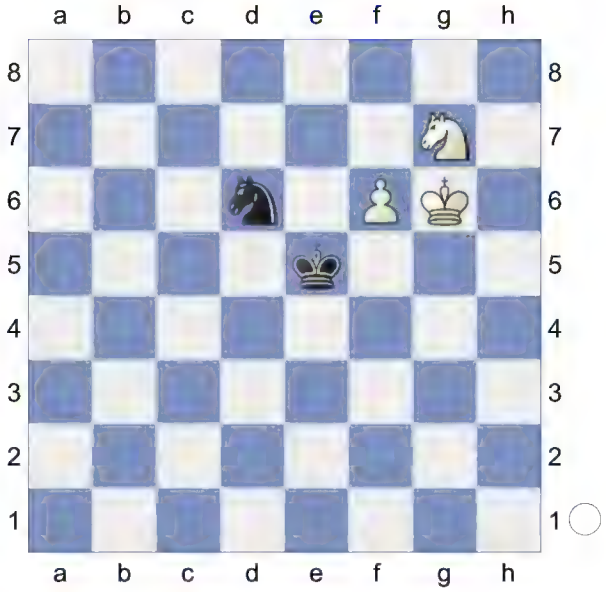


61.Kg5 Ne4+ 62.Kg6 Nd6 63.f6 Ke6 64.Nf4+ Ke5 0.44/34
[64...Kd7= 0.01/37]
65.Nh5 -0.01/28
[65.Ne2± 0.44/34 is superior.]
65...Ke6

(Diagram)

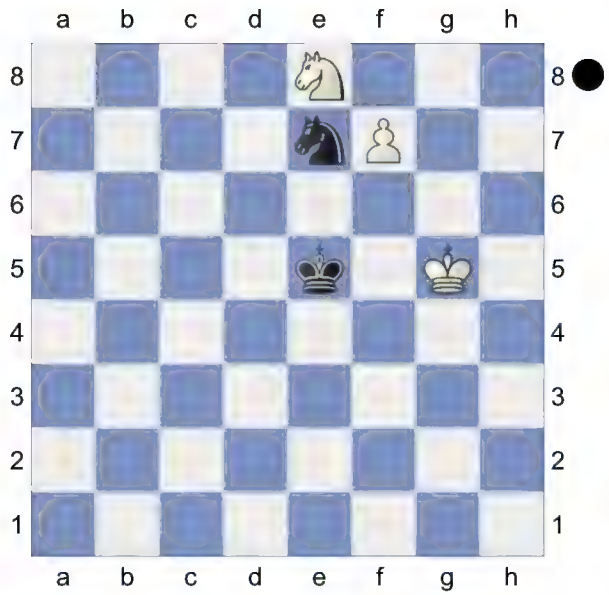


66.Ng7+ Ke5? 7.45/23
[66...Kd7± 1.25/32 67.Nf5 Nc4]



67.Ne8!+- Deflection, Promotion **67...Nf5**
[67...Nxe8 68.f7]
68.f7 Ne7+ 69.Kg5

(Diagram)



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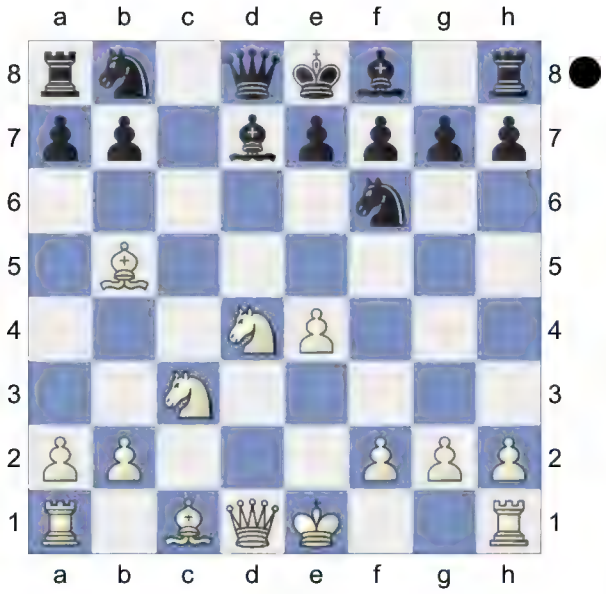
67 **D06**
□ **Deac,Bogdan Daniel** **2696**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2802**
World Rapid 2024 (12.11) 28.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

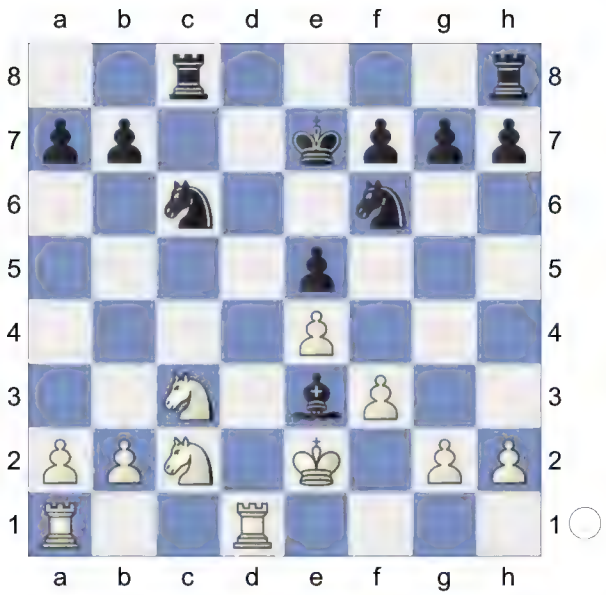
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Browne,W: 'Inf 33/490' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5**

6.e4 Nf6 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Nc3

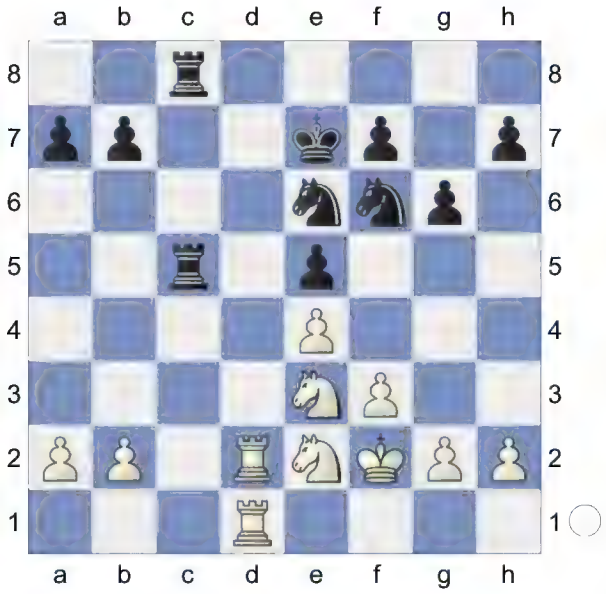


e5 9.Bxd7+ White is slightly better.
[9.Nf5 Bxb5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Nxb5 Nxe4 12.Be3 g6 13.f3 gxf5 14.fxe4 Nd7 15.exf5 Bb4+ 16.Ke2 a6 17.Nc3 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rg8 19.g3 Rg4 20.Rhd1 Rc8 21.Rd5 Ke8 22.Rad1 Rc7 23.Bc1 Ra4 0-1 Narayanan,S (2647)-Madaminov,M (2501) Qatar Masters Open 2024 (6.13)]
9...Qxd7 10.Nc2 Qxd1+

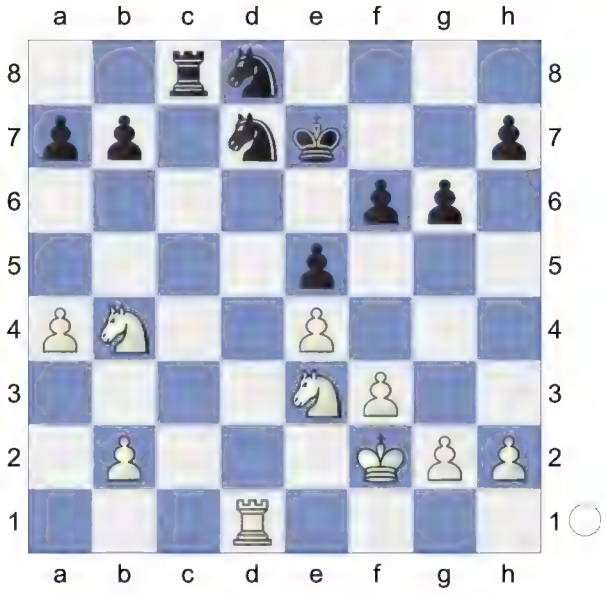
11.Kxd1 Bc5N
[11...Nc6 12.Bg5 Nd7 *(12...Bb4 13.Nxb4 Nxb4 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Ke2 Rd8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Rac1 Rg8 18.g3 Ke7 19.Ke3 Ke6 20.Na4 Kd6 21.Rhd1+ Kc7 22.Rd5 Rd6 23.Nc3 a6 24.Rxd6 Kxd6 25.Rd1+ Ke7 26.Nd5+ Ke6 27.Nc7+* 1-0 Moroni,L (2553)-Bertagnolli,A (2358) ITA-chT T9 51st 2019 (1.6)) 13.Nd5 Rc8 Chapter-N,N]
12.Ke2 Nc6 13.Rd1 Rc8 14.f3 Ke7 15.Be3
[15.Bg5 Ke6 16.Nd5 Nd4+ 17.Nxd4+ Bxd4 18.Nf4+]
15...Bxe3
(Diagram)



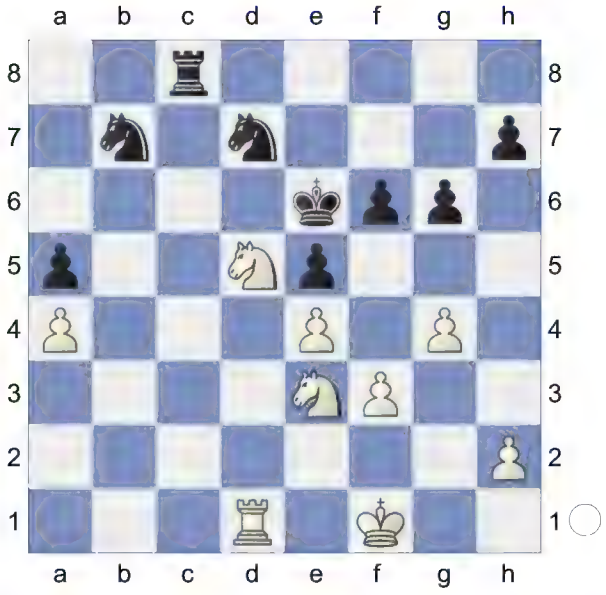
16.Nxe3
[16.Kxe3 Ke6 17.Rac1 Rhd8 18.Rxd8]
16...Nd4+
[16...g6 17.g4 Ke6 18.Kf2 Rhd8]
17.Kf2 g6 18.Rd2
[18.g4 keeps more tension. Ke6 19.h4 Nd7 20.Ned5]
18...Rc5 0.59/20
[18...h5= 0.22/19]
19.Ne2 0.20/22
[19.g4± 0.59/20]
19...Ne6 20.Rad1 Rhc8



21.a4 Rd8 22.Rxd8 Nxd8 23.Nc1 Rc8 24.Nd3 Nd7 25.Nb4 f6



26.Nbd5+ Ke6 27.Kf1 0.09/21
[27.b4± 0.56/21]
27...b6 28.b4 Nb7 0.61/22
[28...Nc6= 0.25/20]
29.g4 a5 30.bxa5 0.15/24
[30.Rb1± 0.61/20]
30...bxa5=



31.Rb1 Nd6 32.h4 Rc6 33.Kg2 Rc8 34.h5 gxh5 35.gxh5 Rc5!

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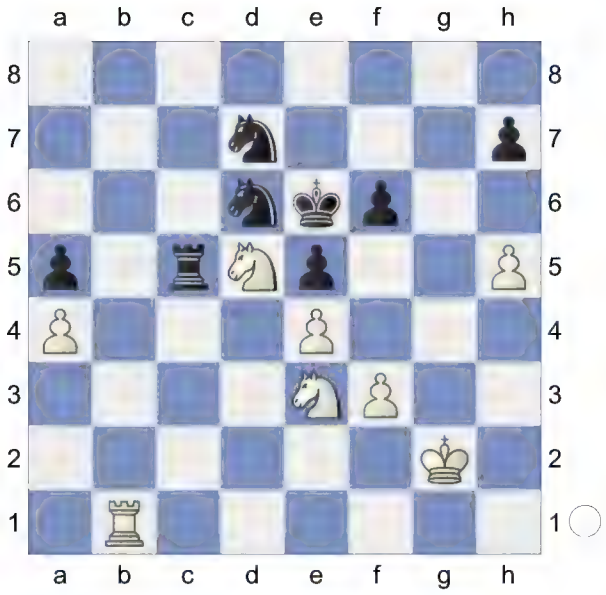
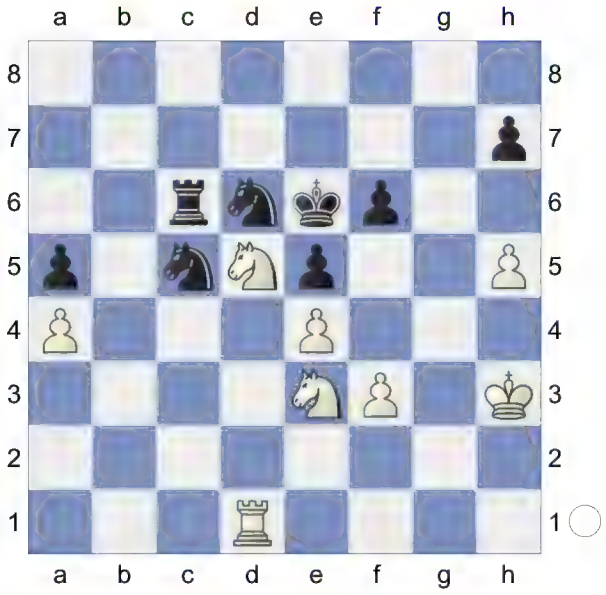
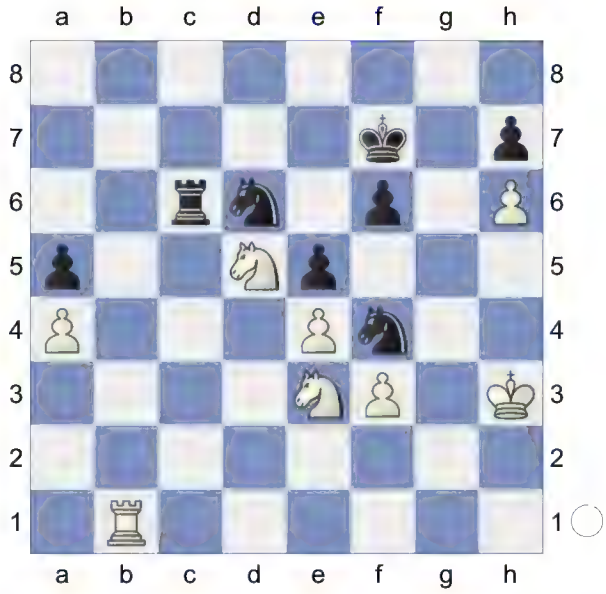


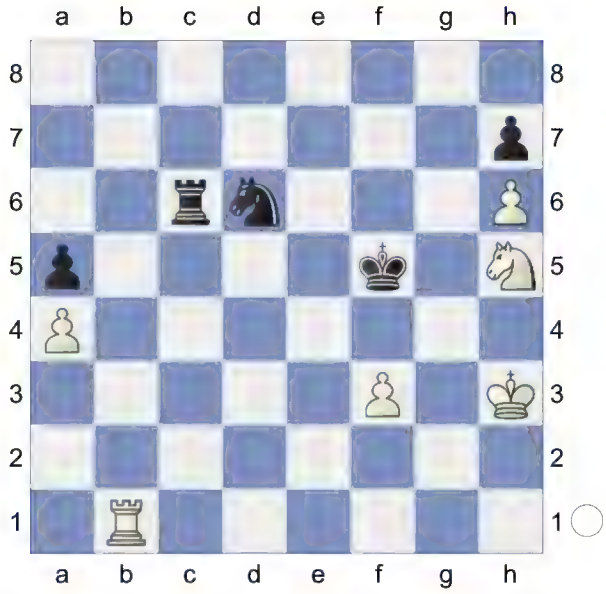
36.Rd1 Rc6 1.13/23
[36...f5= 0.00/24]
37.Kh3 Nc5 1.87/20
[37...Nb6± 1.03/23 is a better defense.]



38.Rg1!+- Kf7 2.76/23 Prevents Rg1-g7+.
[⌓38...Nb3 1.88/21 39.Rg7 Nf7]
39.h6? 1.04/23
[39.Ng4+- 2.76/23 and White stays clearly on top.]
39...Ne6± 40.Rb1 0.00/24 White is more active.
[White should play 40.Kh4± 0.88/23]
40...Nf4+ 0.66/25
[40...Nd4= 0.00/24]

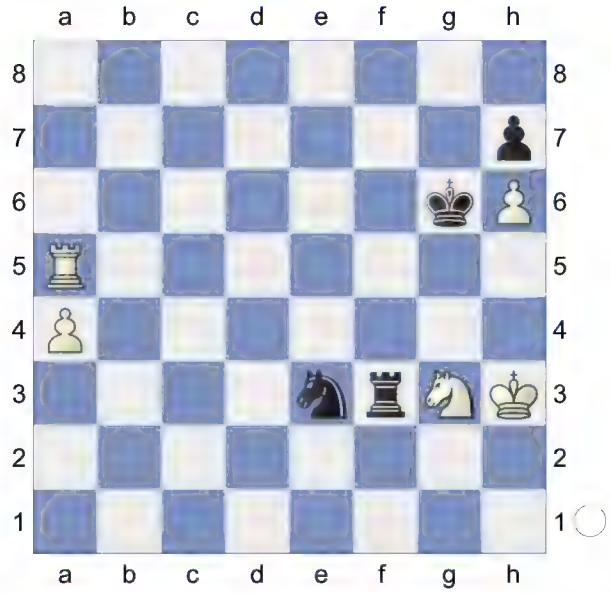


41.Nxf4± exf4 Endgame KRN-KRN **42.Nd5** and Kh3-h4! would now be decisive **42...Ke6?** 2.86/24
[Black should try 42...f5!± 0.54/24]
43.Nxf4++- Ke5 44.Nh5 0.72/22
[44.Kg4+- 3.03/23]
44...f5± 45.exf5 Kxf5

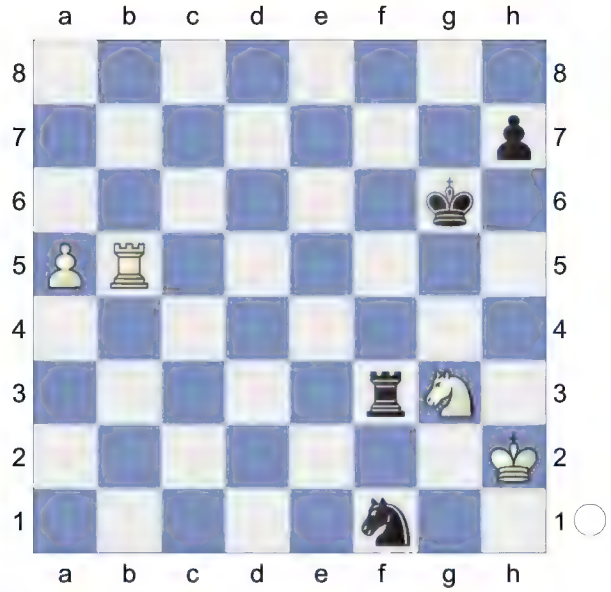


46.Rd1 Kg6 47.Rd5 Nc4 48.Ng3

0.22/25
[48.Ng7± 0.64/24]
48...Rf6= 49.Rc5 0.01/26
[49.Rd4!± 0.39/23 should be considered. Ne3 50.f4]
49...Ne3 The position is equal. **50.Rxa5 Rxf3**



51.Kh2 Rf2+ 52.Kh3 Rf3 53.Kh2 Kxh6 54.Rb5 Kg6 55.a5 Nf1+



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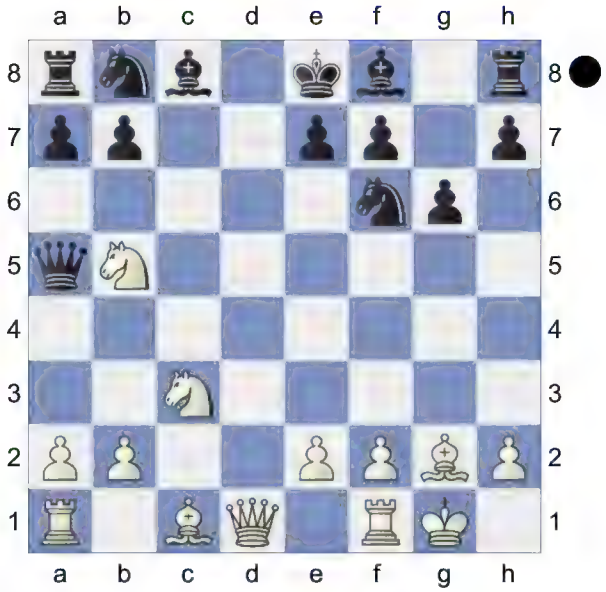
68 **D06**
□ **Robson,Ray** **2689**
■ **Gustafsson,J.** **2598**
Titled Tue 7th Jan Late blitz (9) 07.01.25
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Prevents e4. **7.g4N**
[7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-N, N Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
[7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [Shkurovich Khazin; Harding] 0-1 (41) 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 a4 36.h6 gxh6 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]
7...Nxg4 8.Bg2 The position is equal.
8...Nf6
[8...e5 looks sharper. 9.Ndb5 Nc6 10.0-0 Be6]
9.0-0 g6 0.89/23
[9...Nbd7= 0.21/19 keeps the balance.]
10.Ndb5

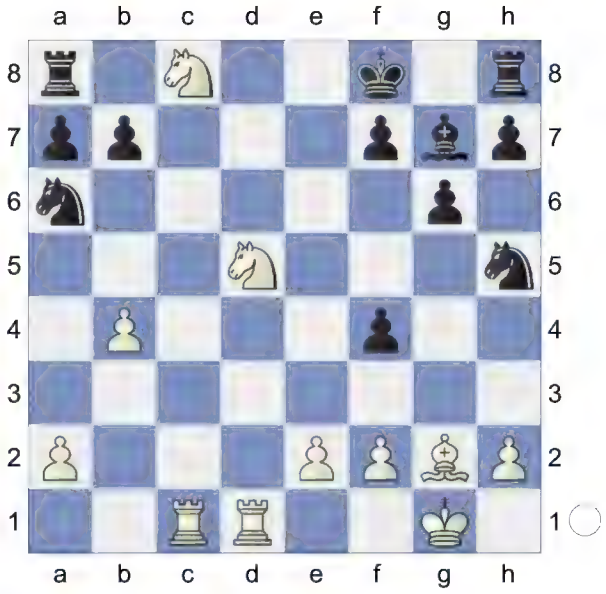


b4! is the strong threat. **10...Bg7** 1.60/23
[⌓10...Na6 0.88/22]

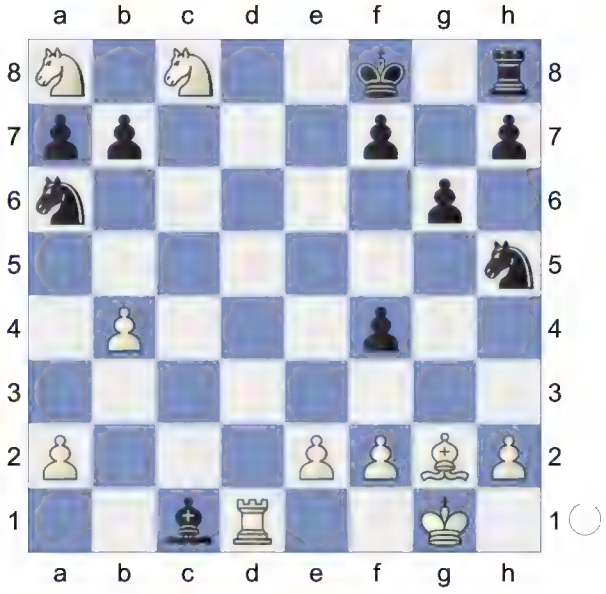
(Diagram)

11.b4± &Bianco is much more active.
11...Qd8 12.Qxd8+ Kxd8 13.Bf4 0.82/21
[13.Rd1++- 1.68/21 is more deadly. Nbd7 14.Be3]
13...Na6? 2.40/22 This move loses the game for Black.
[13...a6± 0.82/21]
14.Rfd1++- White has strong compensation. **14...Ke8 15.Rac1 Nh5**

16.Nd5 e5? 7.76/24
[16...Nxf4? is a self mate. 17.Ndc7+ Nxc7 18.Nxc7+ Kf8 19.Rd8#]
[16...Bd7 2.56/23]
17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Nxc8 exf4



19.Ndb6! Bb2 20.Nxa8 Bxc1



21.Rxc1 Nxb4 22.a3 Nc6 23.Bxc6 bxc6 24.Nxa7 Kg7 25.Nb6 Rb8

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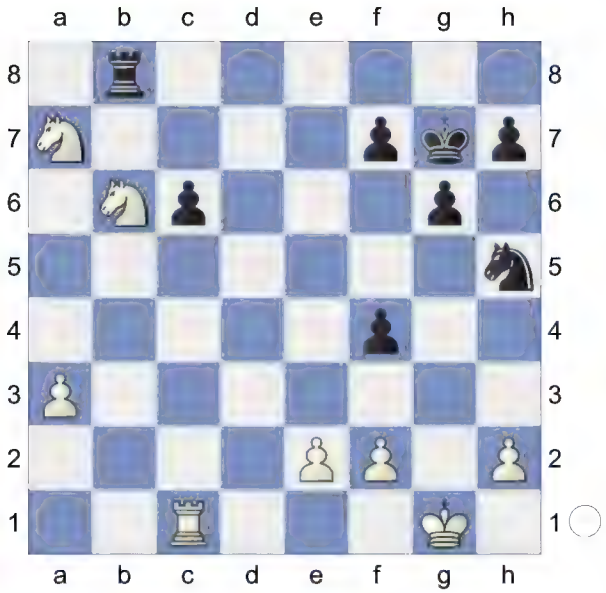
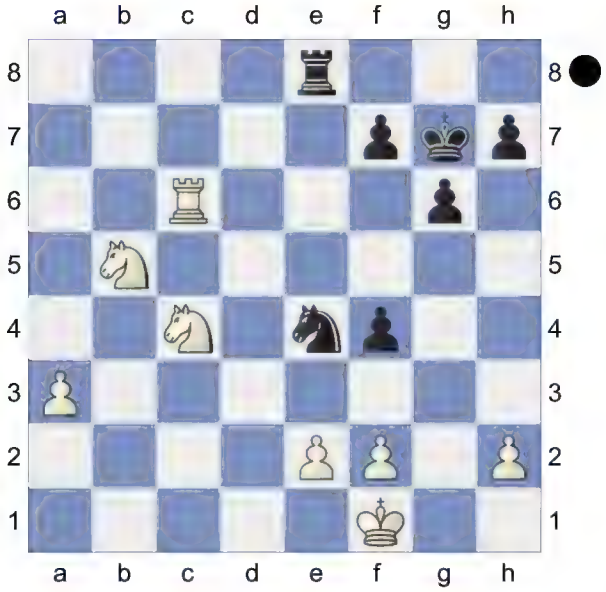


26.Rxc6 Black must now prevent Nac8.
26...Re8 **27.Kf1** White is clearly winning. **27...Nf6 28.Nb5 Ne4 29.Nc4**



Prevents Nd2+. Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.41
1-0

69 **D06**
□ **Akopian,Vl** **2685**
■ **Ulibin,M.** **2587**
11th Aeroflot Open A (3) 09.02.2012
[Damian Lemos]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

[If, instead, 5...Qd8 6.Qxd4! . We do not mind playing an endgame because we have a development advantage: Qxd4 7.Nxd4 Nf6 and White is up a tempo compared to the previously analyzed Kasparov-Casares. As such, after 8.Ndb5 Hoping for Nc7+. Na6 Prevents Nc7+. 9.g3 I believe White has a clear advantage.]

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Against e4 **7.Bd2N**

It makes lot of sense to place the bishop on the same diagonal as the queen.

[I would also consider the simple 7.g3 Ne4 *(or 7...e5 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Bg5*, when Black has serious development problems, and if *Qc6 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.Bg2 Bb4* Against Na5 *12.0-0* Nd5 is the strong threat. *Bxc3 13.Rc1!* with a clear advantage for White*)* 8.Bd2 Nxd2 9.Qxd2 e5 10.Ndb5 Nc6 11.Bg2 Bb4 12.Nd6+ Bxd6 *(or 12...Ke7 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Nc4)* 13.Qxd6 and Black is in serious trouble.]

[7.Nb3 Qh5 *(7...Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)*)* 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]

7...e5

[Others: a) 7...Qb6 8.Rc1 Threatens to win with Nd5! Bd7 *(8...Qxd4?* 1.46/18 8...e5 0.20 *9.Nb5)* 9.Nb3 Nc6 10.Be3 (moving the queen too much was not for free) Qd8 11.Nc5 and we are likely to win Black's bishop pair, when the resulting position is much better for White.]

[b) 7...Nc6 0.85/19 7...Qb6 0.22 does help Black finish his development, but the resulting position after 8.Nxc6! bxc6 9.g3 Bf5 10.Bg2 Qa6 11.Rc1

is risk-free for White.]

8.Ndb5 The position is equal. **8...Na6** Black needs to overprotect c7;

[and 8...Bb4 1.44/21 8...Qb6 0.41 9.a3 Bxc3 10.Nd6+! Ke7 aiming for ...Bxd2+. 11.Bxc3 is already lost for him.]

[8...a6? 9.Nd5 Qxd2+ 10.Qxd2+-]

9.e4 Bc5

[After 9...Be7 10.Bc4 0-0 11.0-0 Bd7 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nxf6+ Bxf6 14.Be3 Black must probably give up his light-squared bishop and we know our bishop pair makes a big difference afterwards.]

10.Be2

[10.Bc4 0-0 11.0-0 Qd8 12.Rc1 is also possible, but believe White wanted to overprotect the g4-square just in case.]

10...0-0

11.0-0 h6 Prevents Bg5.

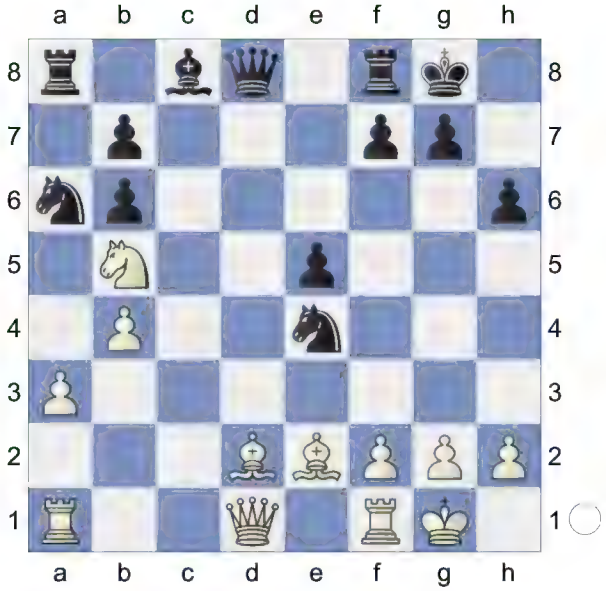
[White has the initiative after both 11...Bd7 0.86/20 11...Qd8 0.23 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Bg5]

[and 11...Be6 12.Rc1 Qd8 13.Bg5 .]

12.a3 Strongly threatening b4. **12...Qd8**

13.b4 Bb6 14.Na4 Nxe4 15.Nxb6 axb6

[Likewise, if 15...Qxb6 16.Be3 , White has more than enough compensation.]



16.Be3 White is likely to get his pawn back and the bishop pair is already a commanding asset. **16...Bd7**

17.Rc1 0.45/19

[17.Bxb6!± 0.78/20 Qe7 18.Rc1]

17...Bxb5 18.Bxb5 Nd6 19.Be2 &Bianco is more active. **19...Nb8** 1.44/23

White leaves nothing to chance now.
[If 19...Re8 20.Qd3 Inhibits Nf5. (20.Qd5 -0.01/20 20.Qd3 0.99 runs into Nc7 .)]
[19...b5± 0.66/20]

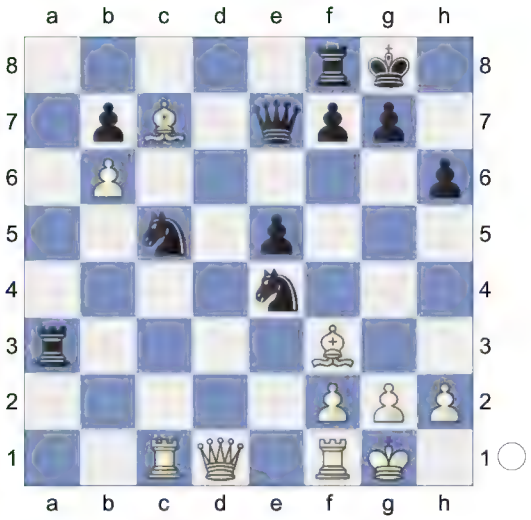
20.b5±
[20.Qd3 0.90/21 20.b5 1.31 is probably better. White maintains the pressure after Nc6 21.Rfd1 Nc8 1.35/19 (⌓21...Nd4 0.71/22) 22.b5!± Qxd3 23.Rxd3 Nd4 1.65/20 (23...N6e7± 0.99/22) 24.Bxd4+- exd4 25.Rxd4 Rxa3 26.Rd7 , when the endgame is painful for Black.]

20...Qe7?!
[Black misses a great chance to trade pieces: 20...Rxa3 21.Qd5 Nf5 22.Qxd8 Rxd8 23.Bxb6 Nd4 and White is still better, but I believe Black can equalize with careful play.]

21.Bxb6 Nd7 22.Bc7 A strong pair of Bishops. **22...Ne4** 1.83/21
[22...Ne8± 1.33/21]

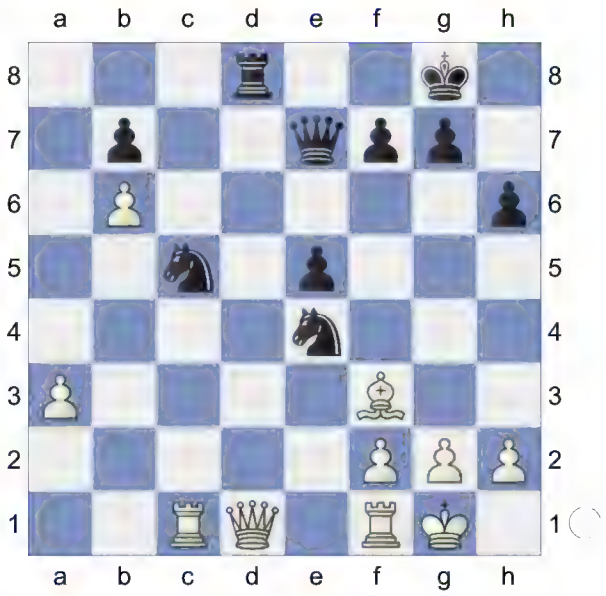
23.Bf3+- Ndc5 2.03/21
[⌓23...Ndf6 1.61/22]

24.b6! This passed pawn is going to pay off sooner or later. Black must now prevent Qd5. **24...Rfd8** 3.72/22 Desperation, but Black's knights are not well protected and they are no competition for White's bishops. Against Qd5
[Black had to try 24...Rxa3 2.74/22 24...Ng5 1.92



25.Rxc5! Nxc5 26.Bd6 Qf6 And now ...Rd3 would win. 27.Bxc5 Rd8 when he keeps on fighting, although he should lose in the long run.]
[⌓24...Ng5 1.80/21]

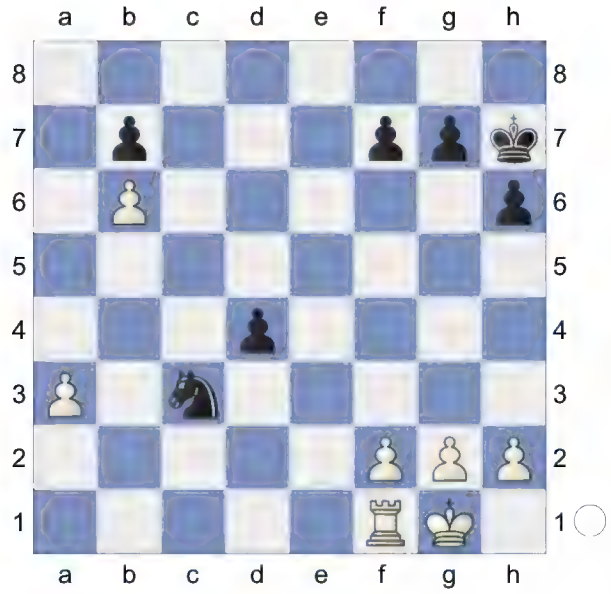
25.Bxd8 Rxd8



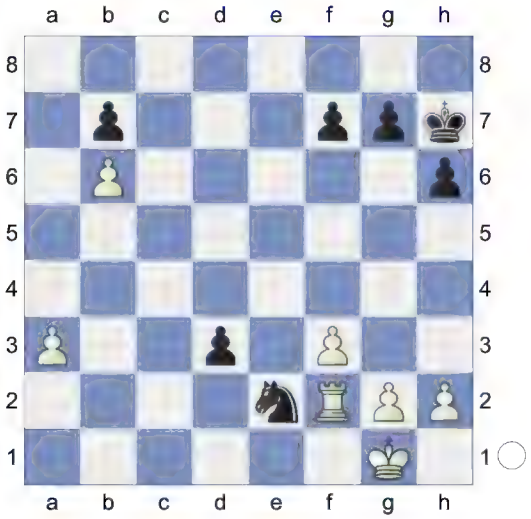
26.Qc2 With the extra material, the rest

is quite easy for White. The remaining moves were: **26...Rd2 27.Qc4**
[27.Bxe4 Rxc2 28.Bxc2 e4=]
27...Rd4 28.Qb5 Kh7 29.Rfd1 Rxd1+ 30.Bxd1
[Not 30.Rxd1 Nc3 31.Qc4 Nxd1 32.Bxd1 e4=]
30...Qd6

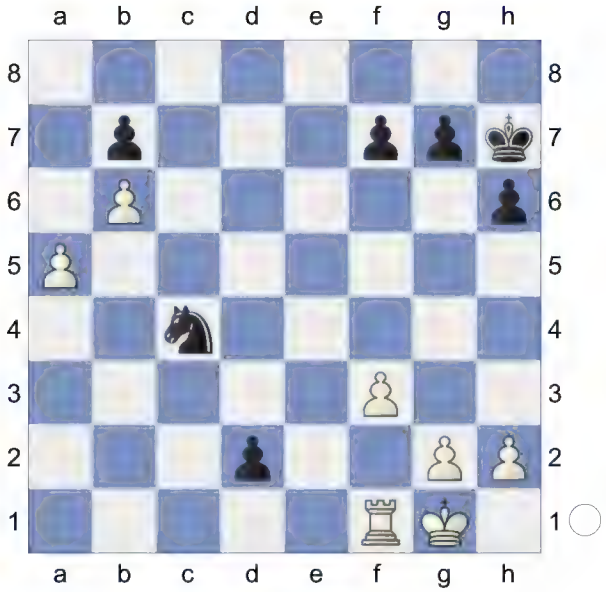
31.Bc2 Qd2 32.Bxe4+
[Resist 32.Qf1 Kg8 33.Qe1 Qd4 34.Bxe4 Nxe4+-]
32...Nxe4 Endgame KQR-KQN **33.Rf1 Qd4 34.Qb4 Nc3 35.Qxd4 exd4**



KR-KN **36.f3 d3 37.Rf2**
[Don't blunder 37.Kf2? d2 38.a4 d1Q-+]
37...Nb1 10.42/24 Against Rd2
[37...Ne2+?



38.Rxe2! dxe2 39.Kf2+-]
[37...Na4 3.89/22 38.Rd2 Nc5]
38.a4 White is clearly winning. **38...d2 39.Rf1 Na3 40.a5 Nc4**



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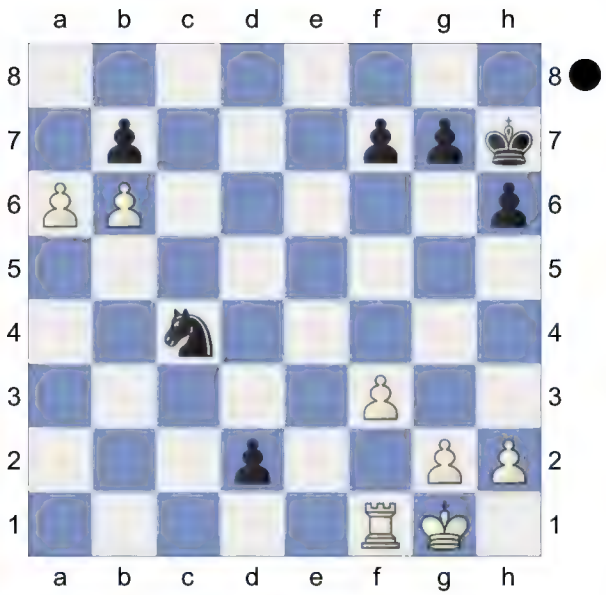

Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.31

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70 **D06**
□ **Navara,David** **2681**
■ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2679**
Julius Baer Gen Cup D3 L (3.1) 28.09.24
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5**

6.e4 Nf6 7.Bf4 0.13/21
[7.Bb5+± 0.50/21 Bd7 8.e5 *(8.Qe2 e5 9.Nf3 Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Bxd2+ 11.Nbxd2 Qb6 12.a4 a6 13.Nc4 Qc5 14.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 15.0-0 0-0 16.Rfd1 Rac8 17.Nd6 Rc6 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.b4 Qc7 20.Rac1 Nb6 21.Rxc6 Qxc6 22.Nxe5 Qxa4* ½-½ Giri,A (2769)-Svidler,P (2741) Shenzhen Du Te Cup 2017 (5)) 8...Bxb5 9.Nxb5 Qxd1+ 10.Kxd1]
[7.Be3 Nxe4 8.Qc2 Nf6 9.Nc3 e5 10.Bb5+ Bd7 11.Nf5 g6 12.Nh6 1) The Symmetrical English 1/-Symmetrical: 2...Nf6 with 4.. 1.c4: Simplified 2024]
7...Nc6N 0.78/21
[7...e5= 0.13/21 remains equal. 8.Bb5+ *(8.Bxe5? Qa5+ 9.Nc3 Qxe5∓)* 8...Nbd7 9.Bxe5 Bb4+ 10.Nc3 0-0 11.Bxd7 Nxd7 12.Bf4 Nc5 13.0-0 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Nxe4 15.Qf3 Qd5 16.Rfe1 Nf6 17.Qd3 Re8 18.Rxe8+ Nxe8 19.c4 Qa5 20.Nb3 Qb6 21.c5 Qf6 22.Re1 Be6 23.Be5 Qg6 24.Qf3 Rd8 25.Bg3 Rd7 26.c6 bxc6 1-0 Navara,D (2733)-Cernousek,L (2438) Cesko (ch) 140/144 2019 27.Qxc6 Re7 28.Qc5 Qf6 29.Nd4 Rd7 30.Nxe6 Re7 31.h3 h6 32.Re3 fxe6 33.Rf3 Qg5 34.Be5 Chapter Navara-Games Chapter Navara]
8.Nxc6±

Qxd1+ 9.Kxd1 White is better. **9...bxc6 10.f3 Nd7**

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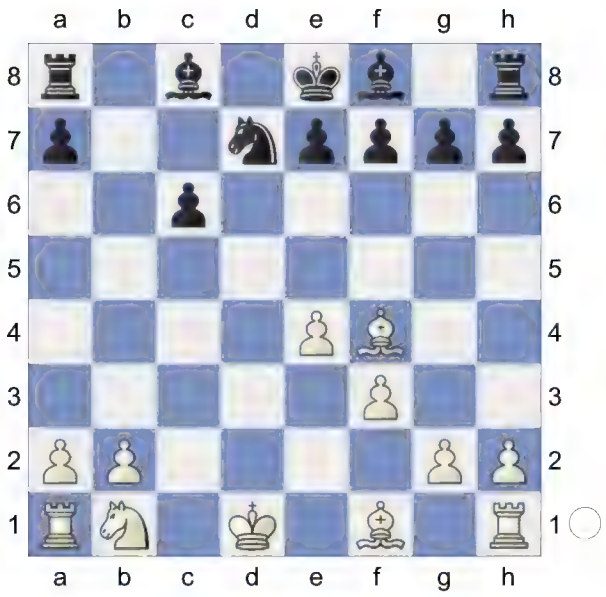

11.Nd2 e5 12.Be3 Nb6 1.32/20
[12...Bc5 0.95/20 13.Bxc5 Nxc5]
13.Nc4 0.86/20
[⌓13.Rc1 1.32/20]
13...Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.Kc2 Ke7

16.Rad1 Be6 17.Bxe6 Kxe6 18.Rd3 Be7 19.Rc3 Rhc8 20.Rd1 g6

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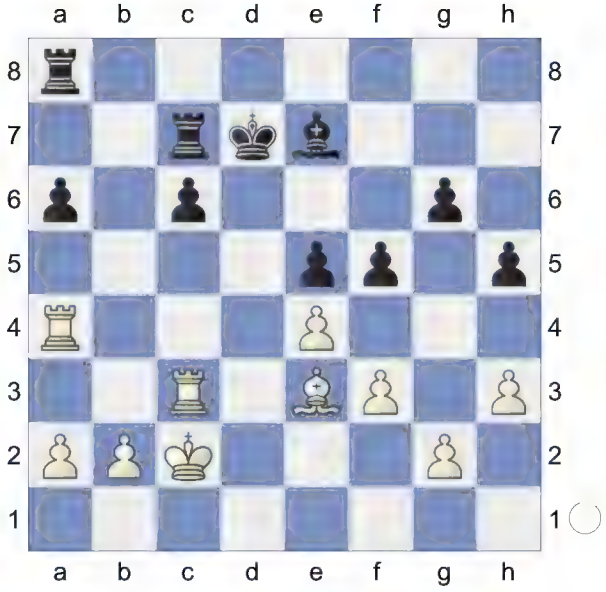
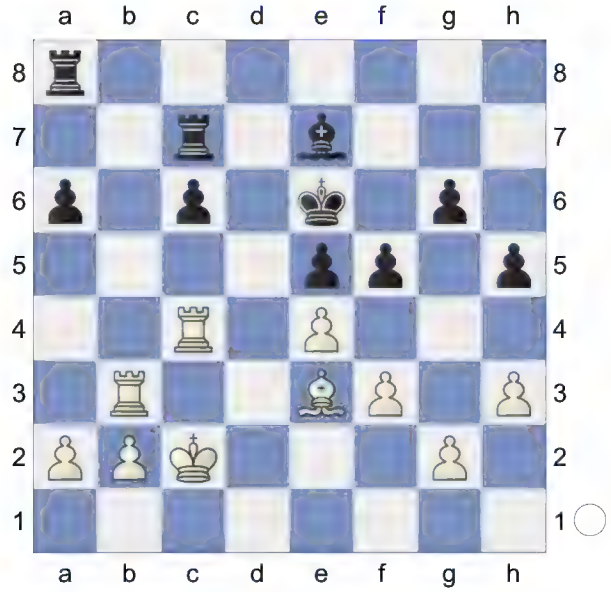
21.Rc4 White has more active pieces.
21...f5 1.55/22
[⌓21...a5 0.77/21]
22.Rd3 1.06/22
[22.exf5+ 1.55/22 gxf5 23.f4]
22...Rc7 23.h3 h5 24.Rdc3 Kd7 25.Ra4 a6

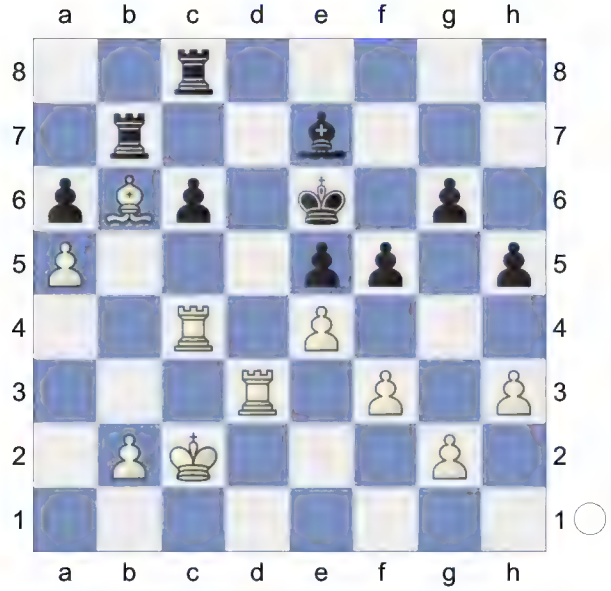


26.Rd3+ Ke6 27.Rb3 Kd7 1.58/23
[27...f4 0.86/25 28.Bd2 Kd7]
28.Rb6 0.92/23
[28.Ra5 1.58/23]
28...Rca7 1.36/21
[Black should try 28...a5 0.92/23]

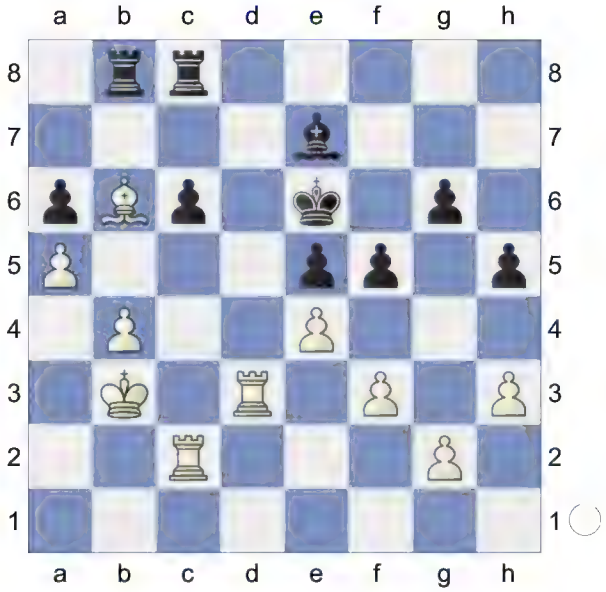
29.Rc4 Rc7 30.Rb3 Ke6 1.56/23
[⌓30...a5 0.98/22]



31.Bb6 Rcc8 32.Rbc3 Kd7 33.Rd3+ 0.94/24
[⌓33.Bc5 1.33/23]
33...Ke6 34.a4↑ Black is under strong pressure. **34...Rab8 35.a5 Rb7** 1.34/26
[⌓35...f4 0.98/26 36.b4 g5]



36.Rdc3 Kd7 37.b4 1.01/24
[37.f4 1.37/24]
37...Rbb8 1.84/23
[37...f4± 1.01/24 38.Kb3 g5]
38.Kb3 1.13/22
[38.f4+- 1.84/23]
38...Bf8 2.09/24
[38...f4± 1.13/22 39.Rc1 Rb7]
39.Rd3+ Ke6 40.Rc2 1.36/25
[40.g4+- 1.98/23]
40...Be7 2.37/25
[40...f4± 1.36/25 41.Rdc3 Kd7]



41.Rdc3 Kd7 2.41/24
[41...fxe4 1.99/26 42.fxe4 Kd7]
42.Rd2++- Ke6 43.Ka4 1.10/23
[43.g4+- 1.83/24]
43...Rb7 1.84/26
[43...f4± 1.10/23 44.Ra2 Kd7]
44.Rdc2 Kd7 45.Rc1 0.93/22
[45.g3+- 1.74/23]
45...Bf8? 2.57/22
[45...Bg5± 0.93/22]

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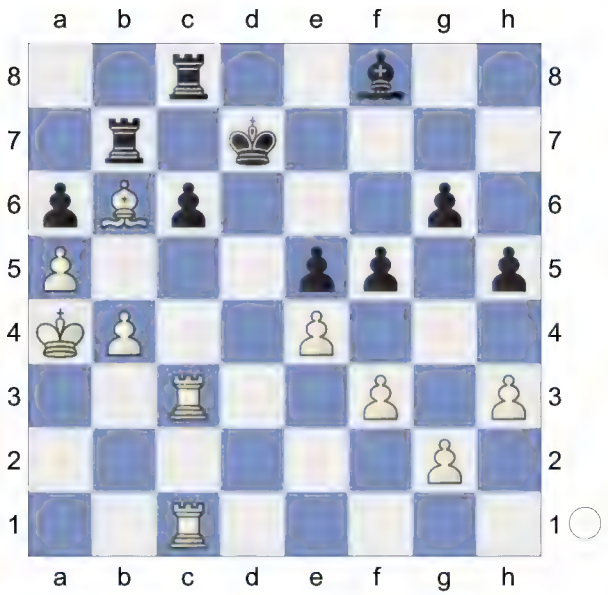
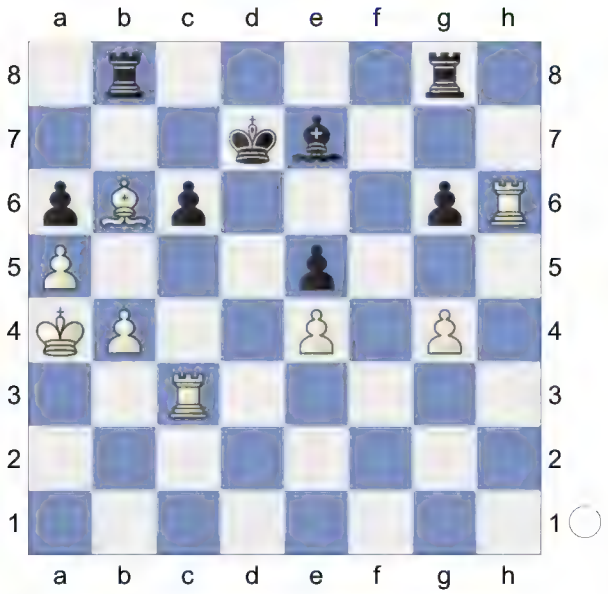


46.g4 hxg4 47.hxg4 fxe4 48.fxe4 Be7 49.Rh1 Rbb8 3.57/24
[49...Ke6 2.51/22 is a better defense. 50.Rh6 Bf6 51.Rxg6 Rg7 52.Rxg7 Bxg7]
50.Rh6 1.55/24
[50.Rhh3+- 3.57/24 is more deadly.]
50...Rg8±



51.Rh7 Rh8

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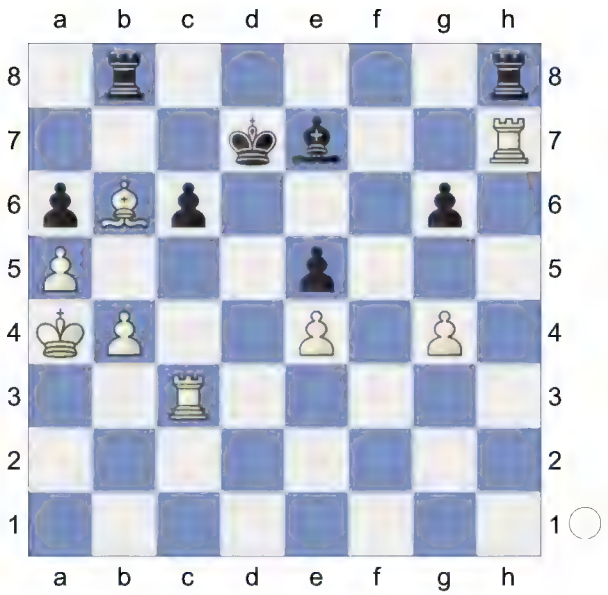
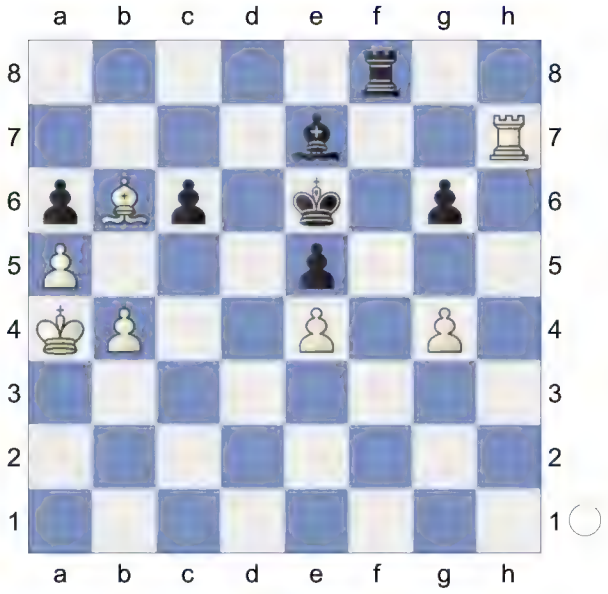
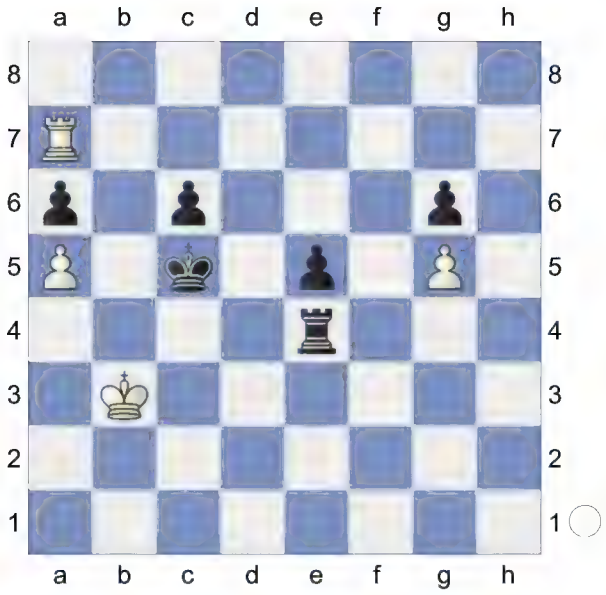


52.Rg7 0.17/27
[52.Rch3!± 1.46/27 Rxh7 53.Rxh7]
52...Rbg8= 53.Rxg8 0.20/23
[Better is 53.Rf7± 0.82/25 Strongly threatening Bb6-c5. Rf8 54.Rg7]
53...Rxg8± Endgame KRB-KRB **54.Rh3 Rf8 55.Rh7 Ke6**



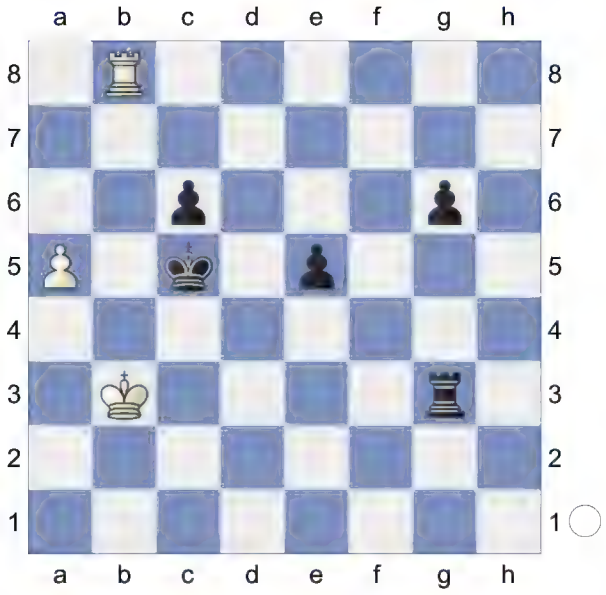
56.Bc5 -0.41/27
[56.Rh6= 0.01/26 is superior.]
56...Bxc5∓ 57.bxc5 KR-KR **57...Rf4! 58.Ra7 Rxe4+ 59.Kb3 Kd5**
[59...Rxg4 60.Rxa6 Kd5 61.Ra7∓]
60.g5 Kxc5



61.Rxa6 Re3+ 62.Kb2 Rg3 63.Rb6 Rg2+

[Much less strong is 63...Rxg5 64.Rb7∓]

64.Kb3 Rxg5 65.Rb8 The position is equal. **65...Rg3+**



66.Kb2! Rg4 67.Kb3 Inhibits Rg4-a4. **67...Rg3+ 68.Kb2! Rf3 69.a6 Rf7 70.Rb7! Rf8**

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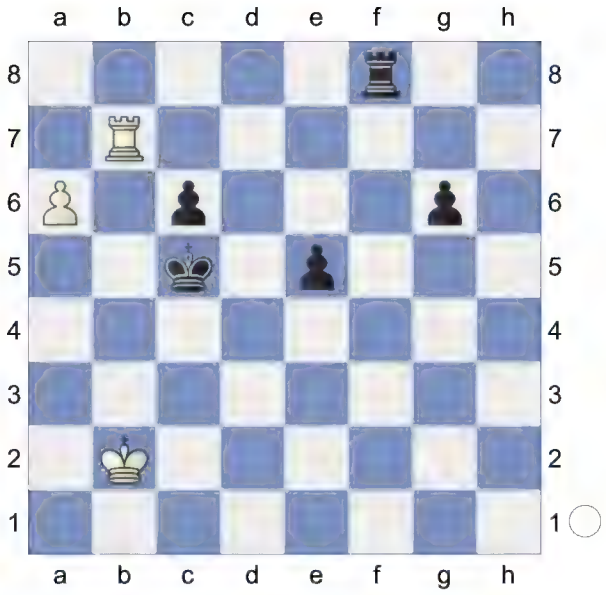
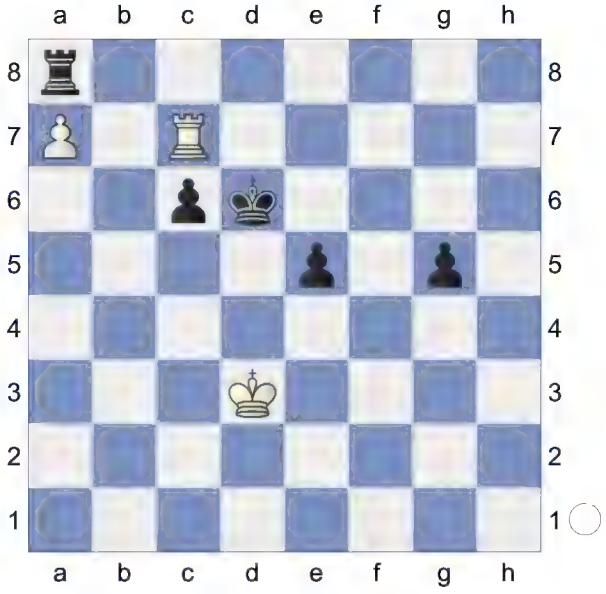
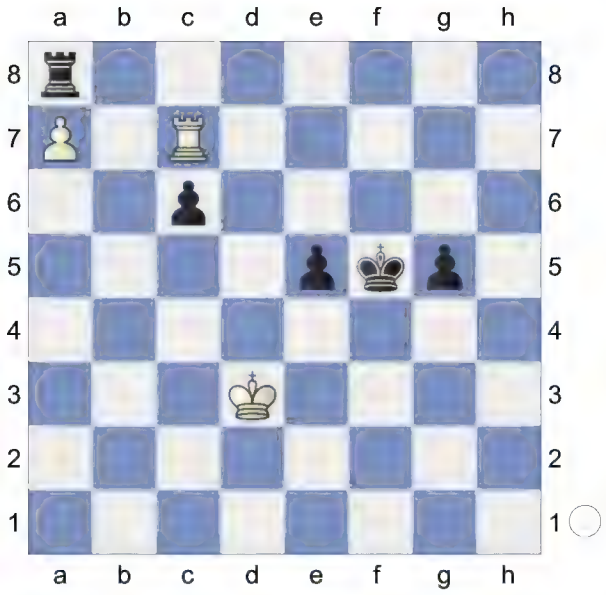


71.a7 Ra8 72.Kc3! g5 73.Kd3! Kd5 74.Rd7+ Ke6 75.Rc7 Kd6

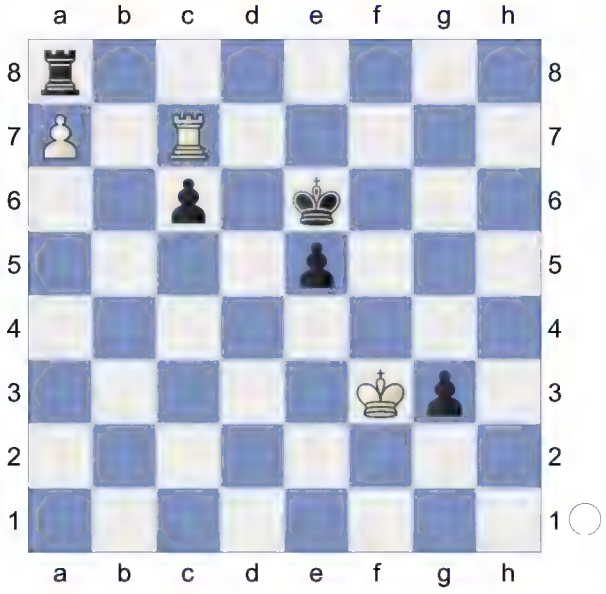


76.Rg7 Kd5 77.Rd7+ Ke6 78.Rc7 Kf5 79.Rf7+ Kg6 80.Rc7 Kf5

(Diagram)



81.Rf7+ Ke6 82.Rg7 Kf6 83.Rc7 g4 84.Ke4 g3 Hoping for ...g3-g2. **85.Kf3 Ke6**



86.Kxg3 Kd6 87.Rb7 c5 88.Kf3 Kc6 89.Re7 Kb6 90.Re6+! Kb5

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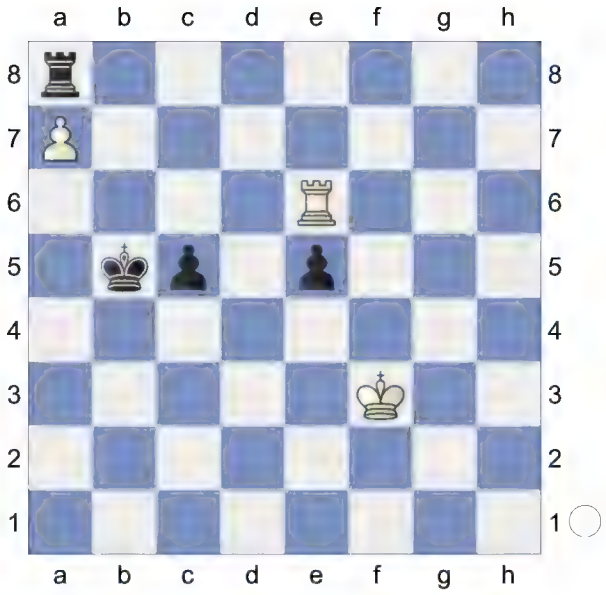
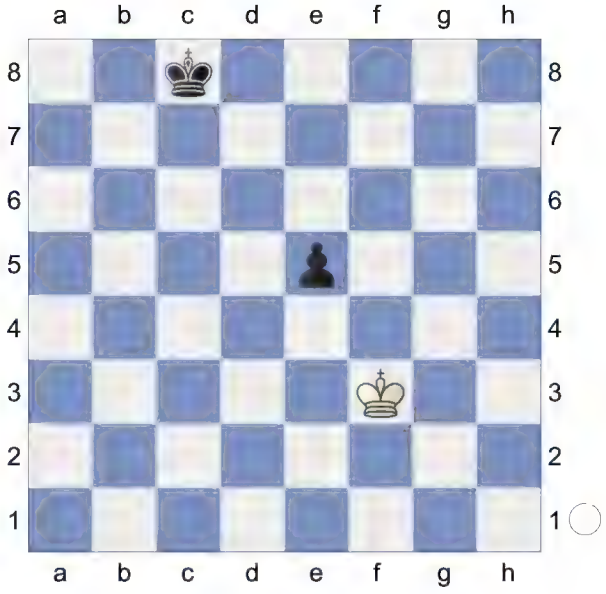


91.Re7 Kb6 92.Re6+! Kxa7 93.Rc6 Kb7 94.Rxc5 Rc8 95.Rxc8 Kxc8



96.Ke4 Kd8 97.Kxe5

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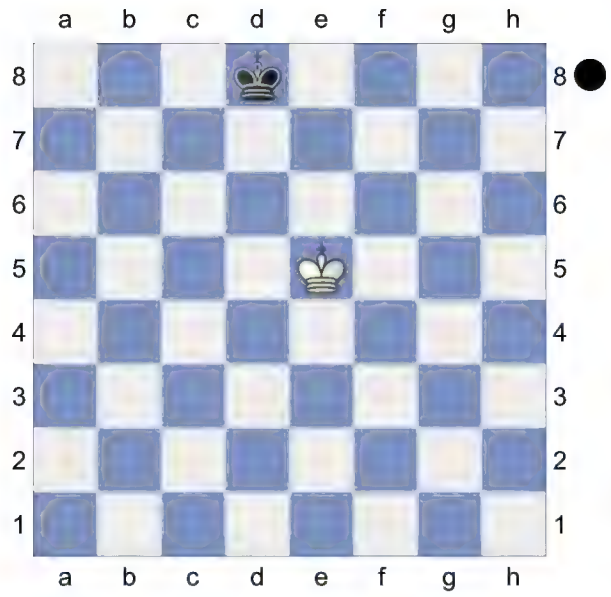


White really could win this. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) / Black=0.27 (precise)

½-½

71 **D06**
□ **Shirov,Alexei** **2664**
■ **Westerberg,Jonathan** **2546**
22. European Teams (9.7) 02.11.2019
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4** Tadic,Branko Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir Ftacnik, Lubomir Ftacnik,Lubomir Ftacnik, Lubomir Ftacnik,Lubomir Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko" **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5**

[3...Nf6 (Tadic,Branko) - 58/388 Ftacnik,Lubomir: '(Tadic,Branko) - 58/388']

4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5

6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.Bd2 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Black does not shy away from playing some strange form of the Scandinavian defence. In the modern era, we are used to patterns that were quite shocking in the past. Early adventures of the queen are not the worst transgressions anymore."

[7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4

A) 10.Bd2 Tadic,Branko 0-0

A1) 11.0-0 Rd8 12.Rc1 Nc6 13.Qc2 Be6 14.Bg5 Rac8 15.Qb1 *(15.e3 Na5 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Nxa5 Bxa5 18.Qa4 Kg7 19.a3 Rd2 20.Ne2 Qd8 21.Rxc8 Bxc8 22.b4 Bb6∓* ½-½ (33) Tomashevsky,E (2728)-Mamedyarov,S (2747) Wijk aan Zee 2016*; 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.e3 Kg7 17.Rfd1 Na5 18.Nxa5 Bxa5 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.Qe2 a6 21.a3 b5 22.b4 Bb6=* 0-1 (45) Wang,Y (2718)-Mamedyarov,S (2747) Huaian 2016 *)* 15...Qb6 16.Na4 Qb5 17.Nac5 Bxb3 18.Nxb3 Qxe2 19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.Qf5 Ne7 21.Qxf6 Rxc1 22.Rxc1± 1-0 (44) So,W (2778)-Mamedyarov,S (2808) Paris 2018;

A2) 11.Nb5 Qc4 12.Na3 Bxa3 13.bxa3 Nc6 14.Qc1 Be6 15.Qxc4 Bxc4 16.Rc1 Bd5 17.Bxd5 Nxd5 18.e4 Nde7 19.Ke2 f6 20.Be3 Kf7 21.Rc4= ½-½ (31) Gajewski,G (2634)-Piorun,K (2638) Chartres 2017;

A3) 11.Rc1 Rd8 12.Nd5 Bxd2+ 13.Nxd2 Qd6 14.Nc7 Nc6 15.Nxa8 Be6 16.0-0 Qb4 17.a3 Qxb2 18.Rc2 Qxa3 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Nc7± 1-0 (28) Aronian,L (2765)-Mamedyarov,S (2817) Kolkata 2018;

B) 10.Qd3 Tadic,Branko 0-0 11.Bg5 Rd8 12.Qe3 Bxc3+ 13.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 14.bxc3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Rd1 Be6 17.Nc5 Bxa2 18.Nxb7 Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Rc8 20.Kd2 Bc4 21.Ra1± 1-0 (41) Wang,Y (2718)-Wang,H (2717) Huaian 2016;

C) 10.0-0 Bxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.Bg5 *(12.Ba3* Tadic,Branko *Rd8 13.Qc2 Be6 14.c4 Nc6 15.Rac1 Rac8 16.Qb2 b6 17.Rfe1 e4 18.Qc3 Qe5 19.Bb2 Qxc3 20.Bxc3=* 0-1 (32) Yilmaz,M (2582)-Mamedyarov,S (2735) Kocaeli 2015 *)* 12...Rd8 *(12...Nbd7* Tadic,Branko *13.Qd3 h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.Rfd1 Be6 16.Bc5 Rfd8 17.Bd6 Qc8 18.Qb5 e4 19.Na5 Nc4 20.Be7 Rd5 21.Rxd5 Nxd5 22.Qxc4 Nxe7 23.Qxc8+ Rxc8 24.Nxb7 f5=* ½-½ (29) Ragger,M (2695)-Mista,A (2589) Germany 2016 *)* 13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.c4 a5 15.Rab1 h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 a4 0-1 Theis,B (2608)-Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2738) Moscow FIDE GP 2017 (10)]

7...e5 8.Ndb5 White is slightly better.

[8.Nb3 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir Qb6 9.Be3 Qe6=]

8...Bb4N 2.40/22 Tadic,Branko: 'N?''Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?' '?' '?' '?' '?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko: 'N?''' Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'In the times of modern computers, opening theory is supplemented by the might of chess engines. The one respected in 2019 is suggesting 8...Qb6 as Black's best option. Westerberg is confused and falls for a very difficult line, bordering on a losing disadvantage."

[8...Na6± 0.58/21 9.Rc1 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir' *(9.e4* (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik,Lubomir *Bc5 10.Be2 0-0 11.0-0 h6 12.a3 Qd8 13.b4 Bb6 14.Na4 Nxe4 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.Be3 Bd7 17.Rc1 Bxb5 18.Bxb5 Nd6 19.Be2±* 1-0 (41) Akopian,V (2685)-Ulybin,M (2587) Moscow 2012*; 9.a3* (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik,Lubomir *Be7 10.b4 Qd8 11.e4 0-0 12.Be3 Bd7 13.f3 Qb8 14.Rc1 Rc8 15.Qb3 Be6 16.Qa4 Nd7 17.Qd1 Nc7 18.Be2 Ne8 19.Nd5 Bh4+ 20.g3 Rxc1 21.Qxc1 Bxd5 22.exd5=* ½-½ (46) Jarmula,L (2457)-Ulybin,M (2518) Suwalki 2017*)* 9...Be7 10.e4 0-0 11.Bc4 Qd8 12.Be3 Bc5 13.Qe2 Qb6 14.Bd2 Be6 15.Bxe6 Qxe6 16.0-0 h6 17.Be3 Rfc8 18.Rfd1 Tadic,Branko: '±' Tadic,Branko: '1-0 (54) Kharitonov, A (2554)-Ulybin,M (2491) Cappelle-la-Grande 2014' b6 19.h3 Bxe3 20.Qxe3 Nc7 21.Nd6 Rd8 22.Nf5 Kh7 23.Rd3 Rac8 1-0 Kharitonov,A (2554)-Ulybin,M (2491) Cappelle op 30th 2014 (6)]

[8...Qb6 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 9.Be3 *(9.e4 a6 10.Be3 Bc5 11.Bxc5 Qxc5 12.Rc1 Bg4 13.Nd5 Bxd1 14.Rxc5 0-0 15.Nxf6+ gxf6 16.Nc7 Nd7 17.Rc1+-* 1-0 (17) Rodshtein,M (2698)-Stephan, V (2365) Chartres 2017*; 9.Rc1 Nc6 10.Be3 Qd8 11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.h3 Be6 13.g4 Nd7 14.Bg2 a6 15.Na3 Bb4 16.0-0 Bxc3 17.Rxc3 Ke7 18.b3 h5 19.g5 Nb4 20.Rc7 Rhc8 21.Bc5++-* 1-0 (21) Osieka,U (2269)-Sailer,D (2040) Luxemburg 2016*)* 9...Bc5 10.Bxc5 Qxc5 11.e3 *(11.Nd6+ Ke7 12.Nxc8+ Rxc8 13.e3=)* 11...Ke7=]

[8...a6? (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 9.Nd5+-]

[8...Qd8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 9.Be3! Bd7 10.Nd6+ Bxd6 11.Qxd6 Nc6 12.g3±]

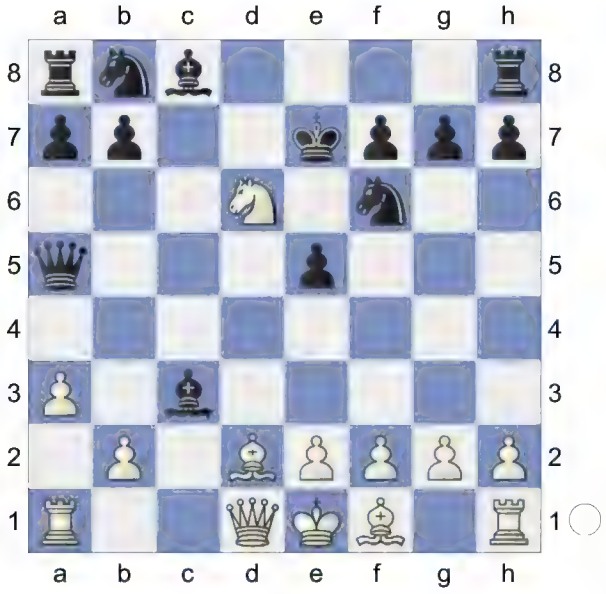
9.a3+- Bxc3 10.Nd6+ Zwischenzug, Double Attack Tadic,Branko: '!' Tadic,

Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'In case Black missed this intermediate move, it is not only a pity but a serious step towards catastrophy."

[10.Nxc3 Nc6±]

10...Ke7

[10...Kf8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 11.Bxc3 Qc7 12.Nxc8 Qxc8 13.Bxe5±]



11.Bxc3 Qd5 12.Bb4

[12.Qxd5 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir Nxd5 13.Nxc8+ Rxc8 14.Bxe5 f6 15.Bg3 Nd7 16.e3±]

12...Nc6 Strongly threatening ...Nc6xb4.

[12...Be6 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 13.Nxb7+ *(13.Qc2!?+-)* 13...Kd7 14.e3+-]

[12...Kd7 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 13.Qa4++-]

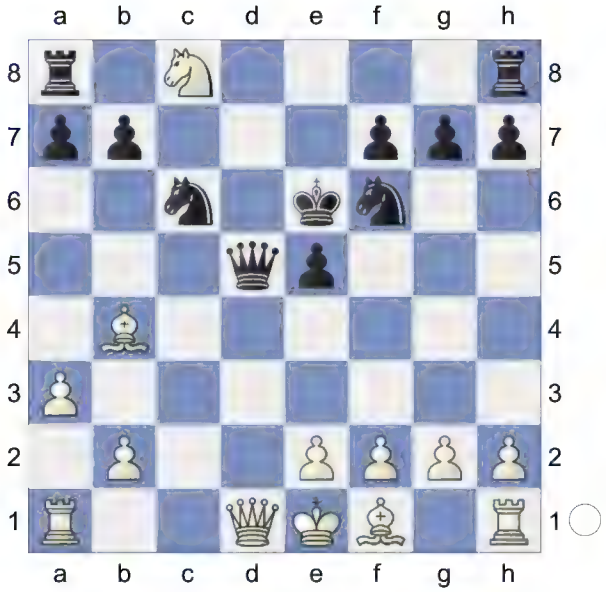
[12...Ke6 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 13.Qc2 Nc6 14.e4+-]

13.Nxc8+ Ke6

[13...Kd7 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 14.Qxd5+ Nxd5 15.Rd1

A) 15...Ke6 16.e4 *(16.Nd6 Ncxb4 17.axb4 Kxd6 18.e4+-)* 16...Ncxb4 *(16...Ndxb4 17.Rd6#)* 17.axb4+-;

B) 15...Nd4 16.e3 Nc2+ 17.Ke2 Ncxb4 18.axb4 Ke6 19.Nd6+-]



'Diagram [#] Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Tadic, Branko: 'Diagram [#]'" Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'The king march towards e6 in the opening with many pieces on the board forces one to think about terminally ill patients. White's knight on c8 has some problems to come back home, but it is only one of the problems.'' **14.g3!** aiming for Bf1-h3+. Tadic,Branko: '!!''Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko: '!!'" Tadic, Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Shirov is clearly feeling perfectly fine in his waters, the chance to use his exceptional phantasy must have been very enjoyable. Hopefully the game will serve as a clear example of a marriage between the purpose and chess asthetics!"

[14.Nd6? (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir Nxb4=]

14...Qxh1 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'The only sensible, radical way to stop the devastating check on h3 is mislocating the black queen and leaving

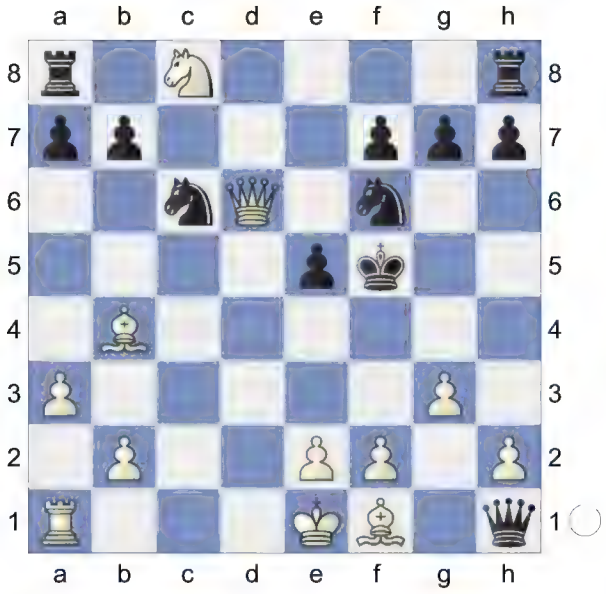
the stage open for the white one."

[14...g5 Tadic,Branko

A) 15.Qxd5+ Ftacnik,Lubomir Kxd5 *(15...Nxd5 16.Bh3+ f5 17.e4 Ndxb4 18.Bxf5+ Kf6 19.axb4 Rhxc8 20.Bxc8 Rxc8 21.0-0+-)* 16.Ne7++-;

B) 15.Bh3+ g4 16.Qxd5+ Kxd5 *(16...Nxd5 Ftacnik,Lubomir 17.Bxg4+ f5 18.e4+-)* 17.Ne7+ Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko' *(17.Bg2+ Ftacnik,Lubomir Ke6 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Nd6+-)* 17...Nxe7 18.Bxe7 Ng8 19.Bg2++-]

15.Qd6+ Kf5



16.Qd3+ Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!' **16...e4**

[16...Ke6? (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko: '?'' 17.0-0-0+- Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko: '+-'' Qxh2 Ftacnik,Lubomir 18.Qb3+ *(18.e4 Nd4 19.Qc4++-)* 18...Kf5 19.Nd6++-]

[16...Kg5 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 17.Bd2++-]

17.Nd6+ Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'The hopelessly trapped knight on c8 is back in business and more active than ever."

[17.Qb5+ (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir Kg6]

17...Kg6

[17...Ke6 Tadic,Branko 18.Qc4+ Nd5 19.0-0-0+- Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Tadic, Branko: '+-'' Ncxb4 Ftacnik,Lubomir 20.axb4+-]

18.Qb5 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '+-' '+-' '+-' '+-'' **18...Ne7** Prevents Qb5-f5+ Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Unfortunately, White was threatening a check on f5 with two independent follow-ups of Nf7 and Bd2. Black has no other option than to prevent the terminal move of the white queen."

[18...Qxh2 19.Qf5+ Kh6 20.Nxf7#]

[18...Nd4 19.Qc5 Tadic,Branko: '+-']

[18...Nxb4 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 19.Qf5+ Kh6 20.Nxf7#]

19.Nc4?→ 0.85/19 White wants a kill. Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?' '!?'' Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'We all need to get used to the fact than even super grandmasters are not computers and they rarely play game with all tactical lines worked out to

perfection. The engine prefers 19.Qxb7, but Shirov is creative and finds the move with dual threat of Ne5+ and Bxe7. "

[19.Nxb7 Nf5 20.Nd6 Nxd6 21.Bxd6 a6-+ *(21...Qxh2 22.g4∓)*]

[19.Qxb7+- 3.25/21 has better winning chances. Tadic,Branko: '!' Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir' Nfd5 20.Rd1]

[19.Qe5! (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko' Nfd5 20.0-0-0

A) 20...Rhc8+ 21.Bc3 f6 *(21...Nxc3 22.bxc3 h6 23.Bh3 Qxh2 24.Bf5++-)* 22.Qe6 Nxc3 23.Qg4+ Kh6 24.Nf7# #;

B) 20...Nxb4 21.Bh3 Nd3+ 22.exd3 Qf3 23.Qxe7+-]

19...Nc6 3.55/21 Tadic,Branko: '?"Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko: '?"'

[19...Ned5± 0.85/19 20.Ne5+ Tadic,Branko Kf5

A) 21.0-0-0 Ftacnik,Lubomir Rhc8+ 22.Kb1 a6 *(22...Kxe5 23.f4+ exf3 24.e4+-)* 23.Qxb7 Kxe5 24.f4+ exf3 25.e4±;

B) 21.Nxf7 Rhc8 Diagram *(21...Kg6 Ftacnik,Lubomir 22.Ne5+ Kf5 23.0-0-0+-)*

Ftacnik,Lubomir: '(Tadic,Branko) Diagram [#]' 22.g4+! Kxg4 *(22...Kg6 23.Ne5+ Kh6 24.Qxb7 Qxh2 25.Nf7+ Kg6 26.Bd6 Qh1 27.g5+-; 22...Ke6 23.Ng5+ Ke5 24.Bc3+ Rxc3 25.bxc3+-)* 23.Rd1 e3 24.f3+ Kf5 25.Qd3+ Ke6 26.Ng5+ Ke5 27.f4+ Kxf4 28.Ne6+ Ke5 29.Nd4 Qe4 30.Nf3+ Kf4 *(30...Kf5 31.Bh3+ Kg6 32.Qxe4+ Nxe4 33.Bxc8 Nxb4 34.Rd8! Nc6 35.Bf5+ Kxf5 36.Rxa8+-)* 31.Bh3!! Rc6 *(31...Qxd3 32.Bd6+ Ke4 33.Ng5+ Kd4 34.Rxd3+ Kc4 35.Bxc8 Rxc8 36.a4!! Rc5 37.b3+ Kb4 38.Rd4++-)* 32.Qb5 g5 33.Bc3 g4 34.Rd4 Re8 35.Rxe4+ Rxe4 36.Qxb7 Rc7 37.Qa6 gxh3 38.Kd1! Rd7 39.Kc2 Kf5 40.Bd4+-]

[19...Rhe8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 20.Ne5+ Kh6 21.Bd2++-]

[19...Nfd5 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 20.Qxb7+- Nxb4 Ftacnik,Lubomir 21.Ne5+ Kf6 22.axb4+-]

20.Qxb7 Nxb4

[20...Rac8 Tadic,Branko 21.Nd6+-]

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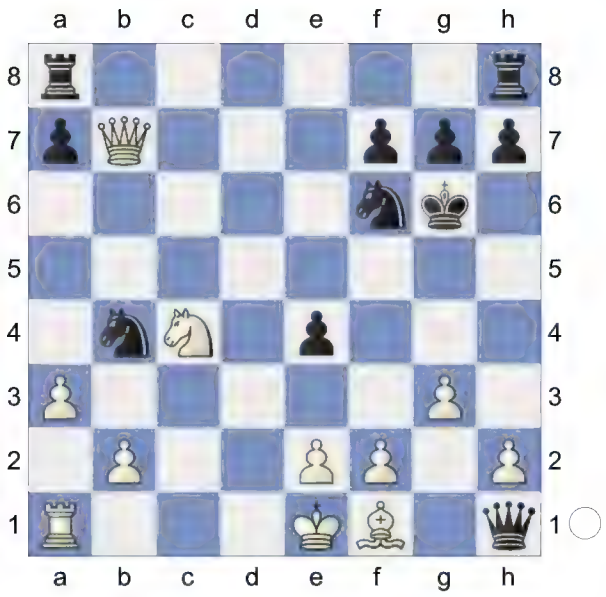
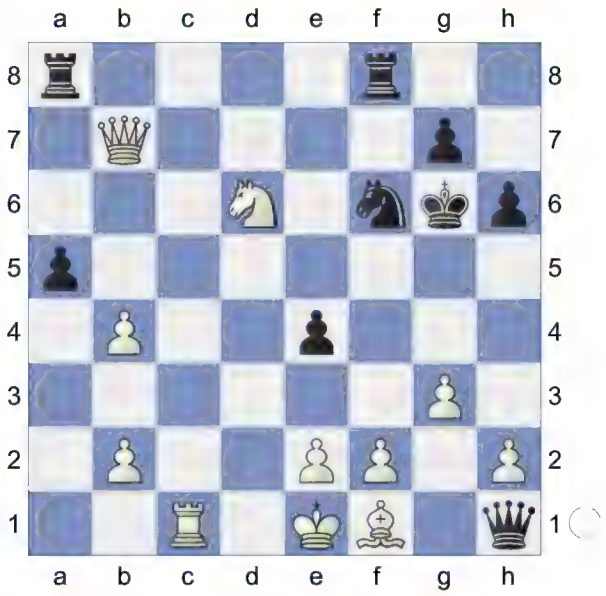
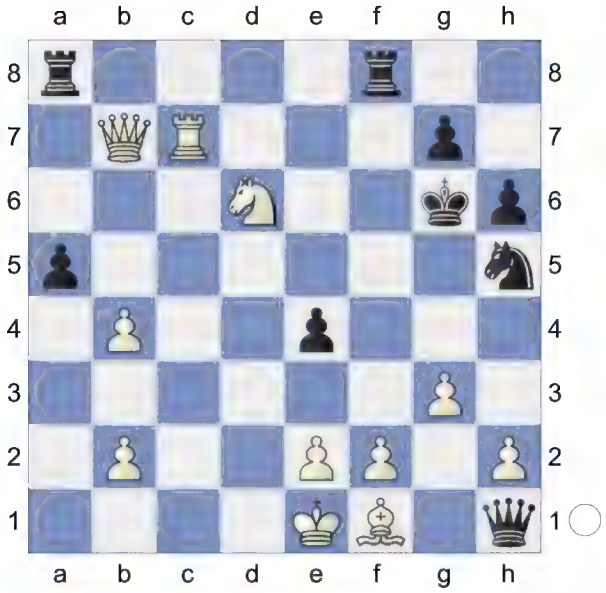


21.Ne5+ Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'
[21.axb4 h5±]
21...Kf5
[21...Kh6 Tadic,Branko 22.Nxf7+ Kg6 23.Nxh8+ Rxh8 24.axb4+-]
[21...Kh5 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko' 22.axb4+-]
22.axb4 Tadic,Branko: '+-"Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'Tadic,Branko: '+-'" Tadic, Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'A very instructive position with unbalanced material. On paper, Black should be doing fine with his extra exchange, in reality his king is in grave danger and his pieces are lacking elementary coordination." **22...a5?** 4.46/21
[22...Kxe5 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir' 23.Ra5+ Kd6 *(23...Ke6* Tadic,Branko *24.Qc6+ Ke7 25.Re5++-)* 24.Ra6+ Ke5 25.f4+ Tadic,Branko: '!' exf3 *(25...Kd4* Tadic,Branko *26.Qb5+-)* 26.Qc7+ Kf5 27.Ra5+ Kg6 Tadic,Branko 28.Qc2+ Kh6 29.Qd2+ Kg6 30.Qg5#]
[22...Rhc8 2.37/22]
[22...Rhb8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 23.g4+ Nxg4 *(23...Kg5 24.Qxf7+-; 23...Kxe5 24.Ra5+ Kd6 25.Ra6+ Ke5 26.Qc7+ Kd4 27.Qc5#)* 24.Qd7++-]
23.Nxf7 White is clearly winning.
[23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.bxa5 Kxe5=]
[23.Rc1!?+- (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir]
23...Rhf8
[23...Rhb8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 24.Nd6+ Ke6 25.Qxg7+-]
24.Rc1 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'" Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'White has no problems to remember the well-known principle of striking at the enemy when he is ill-prepared to cope with an attack."
[24.bxa5 h5 25.Nd6+ Kg6+-]
24...h6 7.70/20
[⌓24...Kg6 4.35/22 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir' 25.Ne5+ *(25.Rc5 h6±)* 25...Kh6 26.Qb6 Tadic,Branko axb4 27.Qe3+ g5 28.h4+-]
25.Nd6+ Discovered Attack **25...Kg6**
[25...Ke5 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 26.Qe7++-]



26.Rc7 Nh5

[26...Rg8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 27.Qb5 Kh7 28.Qf5+ Kh8 29.Nf7#]



27.f3! Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' '!' '!'' Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir: 'A moment of disparity between humans and computers. The engine is pleading for the brutal 27.g4, Shirov prefers the human and much more charming way of interrupting the Black's queen defence of the e4 pawn."

[27.g4 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir Rxf2 28.gxh5+ Kxh5 29.Kxf2+-]

27...Kh7 Black is weak on the light squares

[27...Rae8 Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik, Lubomir' 28.Nxe8 Rxe8 Tadic,Branko 29.g4+-]

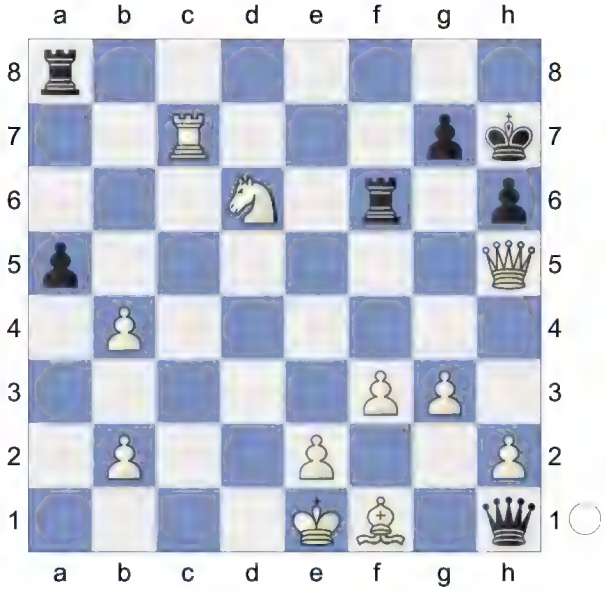
[27...exf3 Tadic,Branko 28.Qe4+ Kg5 Ftacnik,Lubomir 29.h4+ Kf6 30.Qf5#]

28.Qxe4+ Kg8

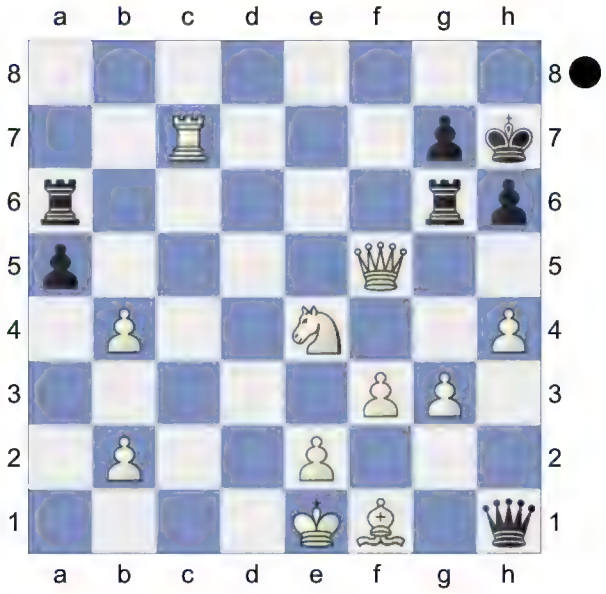
[28...Kh8 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 29.Nf7+ Kg8 30.Nxh6+ Kh8 31.Nf7+ Kg8 32.Ng5 Nf6 33.Qg6+-]

29.Qd5+ Kh7 30.Qxh5 Intending Qh5-g4 and mate. **30...Rf6**

[30...axb4 (Tadic,Branko) Ftacnik, Lubomir 31.Qe5 *(31.Qg4 Ra1+ 32.Kd2 Rg8)* 31...Ra1+ 32.Kd2 Rd1+ 33.Kxd1 Qxf1+ 34.Kd2+-]



Tadic,Branko: 'Ftacnik,Lubomir: 'The medals are never given for resigning even in hopeless positions, so Black is marching on despite the terrible odds." **31.Ne4 Rg6 32.Qf5 Raa6** Prevents Ne4-f6+. **33.h4**



Black did not feel at home in the

position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.76

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72 **D06**
□ **Narayanan S L** **2647**
■ **Madaminov,Mukhiddin** **2501**
Qatar Masters 2024 | Open A (6) 9.12.24
[Kitty Kat]

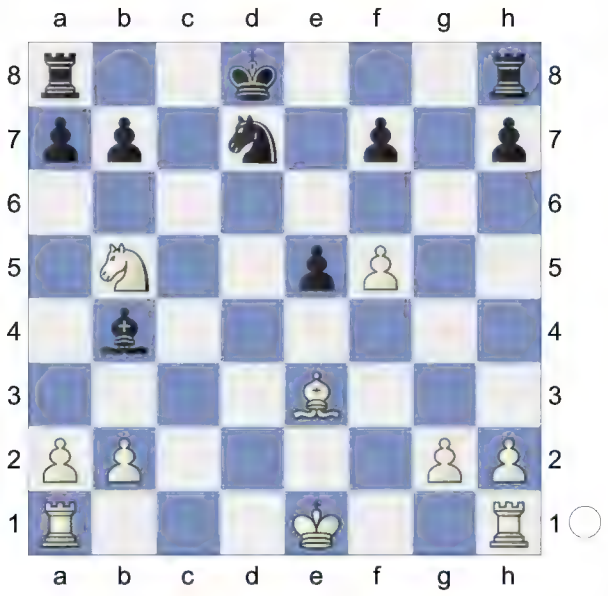
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Browne,W: 'Inf 33/490'
1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5N
[5...a6 6.Qa4+ *(6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 20.Rfe1 Kf8* 1-0 Prang,E-Hernandez,R London 1851 *)* 6...b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 Bc6 11.Nb4 Qa5 12.Bd2 Bb7 13.Nc6 Qb5 14.Nxb8 Rxb8 15.e3 Qd7 16.Bc3 Qxd1+ 17.Rxd1 f6 18.f3 e5 19.Bc4 Bc5 20.Ke2 1-0 Browne,W-Sosonko,G Denpasar 33/490 Surakarta 1982]
[5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 0-1 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) FTX Crypto Cup Prelim chess24.com INT rapid 2021 (9.8) fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 33.Rd2 Ke6 34.h4 a5 35.h5 1-0 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Feb Early Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (3)]

6.e4 Nf6 7.Nc3 e5! 8.Bb5+ Bd7 9.Nf5
[9.Bxd7+ simplifies Qxd7 10.Nc2 Qxd1+ 11.Kxd1 Nc6 12.Bg5]
9...Bxb5 10.Qxd8+ The position is equal. **10...Kxd8**

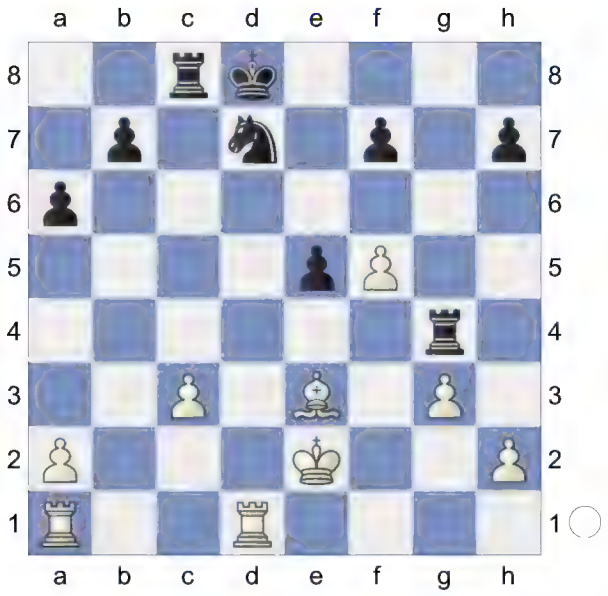
11.Nxb5 Nxe4 12.Be3 g6 13.f3 gxf5 14.fxe4 Nd7 0.52/22
[14...f4= 0.15/22 15.0-0-0+ Kc8]
15.exf5± aiming for Rd1!
[15.Bxa7 Rg8 16.g3 Rg4∓

(16...fxe4 17.Rf1=)]

15...Bb4+

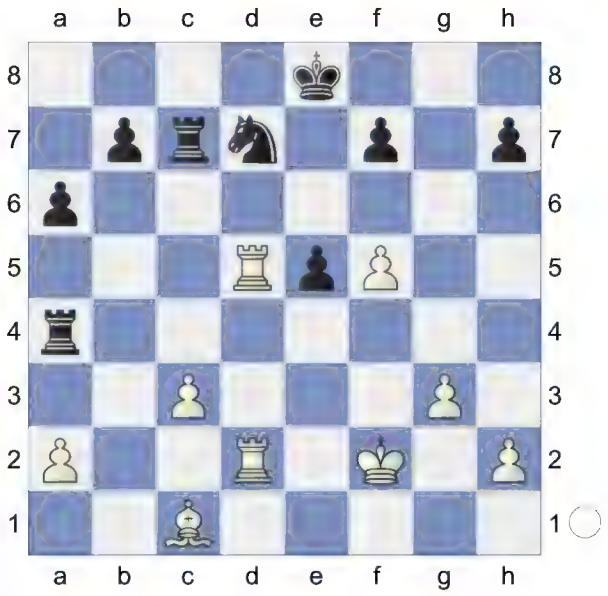


16.Ke2 Black must now prevent Rac1!
16...a6 17.Nc3 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rg8 19.g3 Rg4 1.22/24
[19...Rc8= 0.29/23]
20.Rhd1!± Rc8

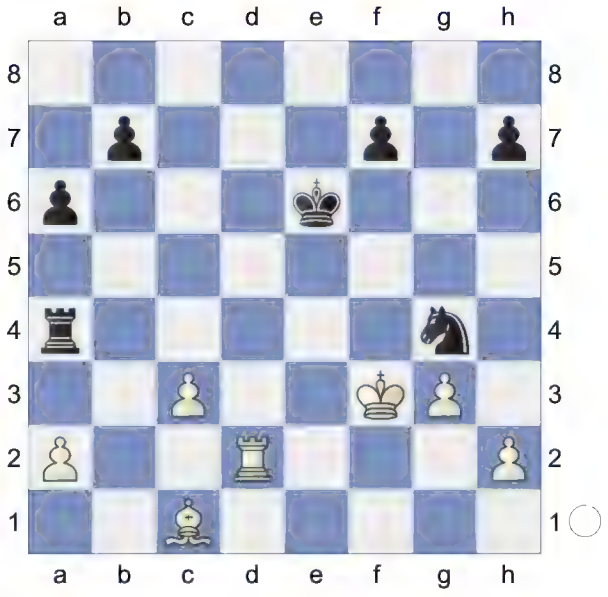


21.Rd5 0.16/20
[21.Rab1± 0.91/25 b5 22.Rd6]
21...Ke8!=
[21...Rxc3? too greedy. 22.Rad1 Ke8
(22...Rc7? 23.Bb6+- Pin *)* 23.Rxd7+-]
22.Rad1 Rc7 23.Bc1 -0.32/23

[23.Rd6= 0.16/21 was preferrable.]
23...Ra4 24.R1d2 Re4+ 25.Kf2 Ra4



Wards off Ba3 **26.f6** Deflection
26...Nxf6 27.Rxe5+ Re7 28.Rxe7+ Kxe7 Endgame. KRB-KRN **29.Ke3 Ng4+ 30.Kf3 Ke6**

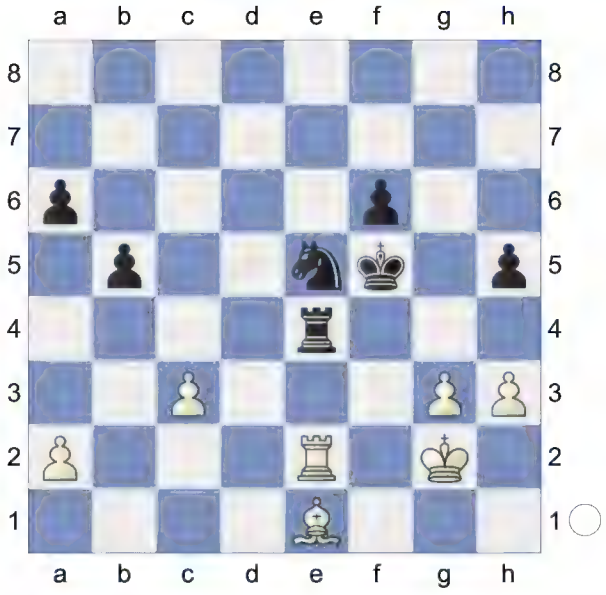


31.Re2+ Ne5+ 32.Kg2 f6 33.h3 Rc4 34.Bd2 h5 35.Kf1 Kf5

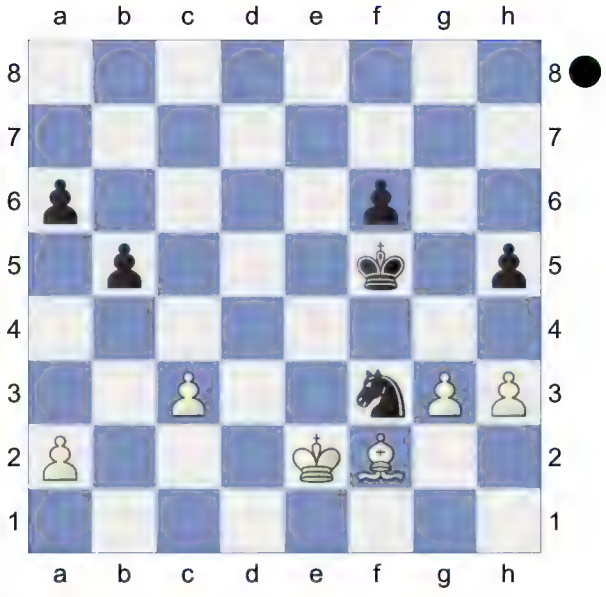
(Diagram)

36.Rf2+ Kg6 37.Re2 -0.74/26
[37.Rf4= -0.05/24]
37...b5∓ 38.Kg2 Against Nf3 **38...Nd3** -0.34/23
[38...Nf7!∓ -1.16/22 39.h4 a5]
39.Kf3∓ Kf5 -0.49/24 Black is more active.
[39...Ne5+∓ -0.90/22 40.Ke3 Kf7]
40.Ke3 Nc5

41.Kf3 Na4 -0.07/22
[41...Nd7∓ -0.48/24]
42.Re3 Nb6 43.Be1 -1.29/22
[43.Re8= -0.19/22 keeps the balance.]
43...Nd7∓ 44.Re2 -2.79/19
[44.Kf2∓ -1.57/23]
44...Ne5+-+ 45.Kg2 Re4!



46.Kf1 Nf3! Hoping for ...Rxe2. **47.Bf2 Rxe2** -1.05/19
[47...Ng5!-+ -2.49/22 is more deadly. 48.Rd2 Nxh3]
48.Kxe2



KB-KN **48...Ng5** -0.12/20
[Black should try 48...Ke4!∓ -0.73/28]
49.g4+!= hxg4 50.hxg4+ Kxg4
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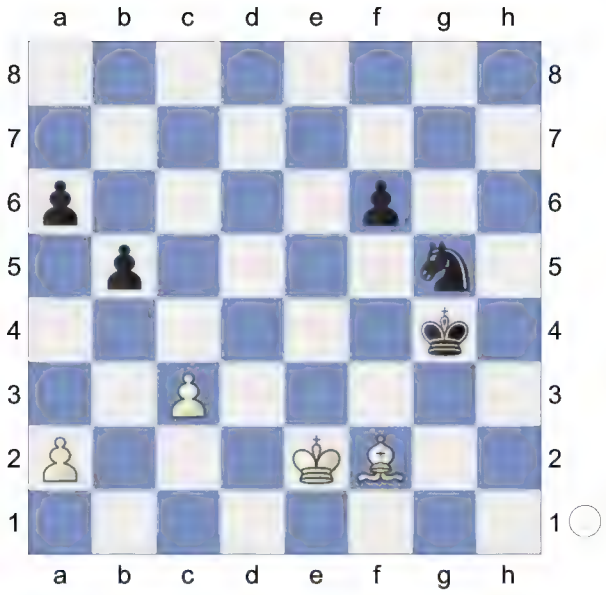
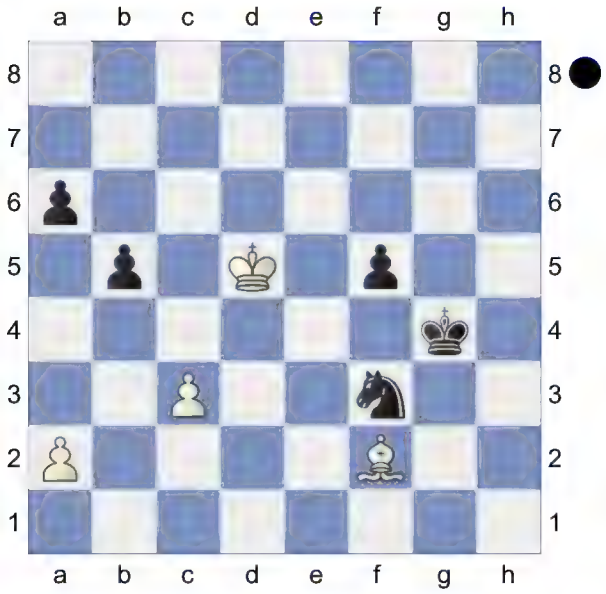


51.Kd3 Repels Ne4 **51...Nf3** Strongly threatening ...f5. **52.Ke4** -1.24/27
[52.c4= -0.13/27]
52...f5+ 53.Kd5



Nd2! 54.Be3 -3.47/23
[54.Kc6 -1.75/24]
54...Nc4-+ 55.Bd4 -6.80/25
[⌓55.Bg1 -4.03/25 f4 56.Bh2]
55...f4

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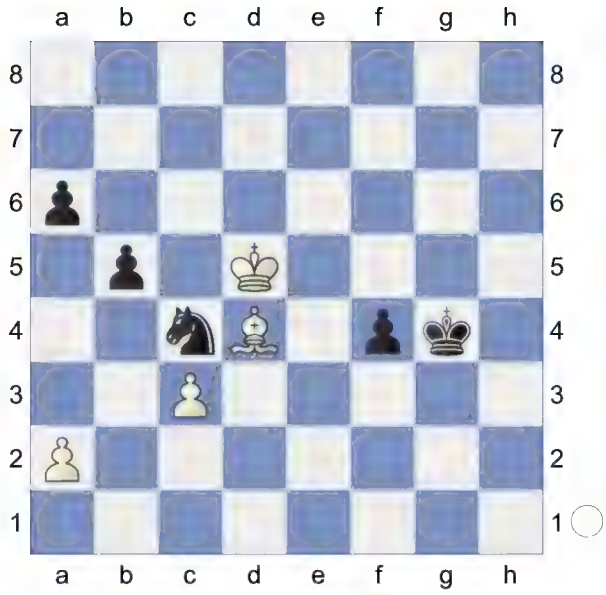
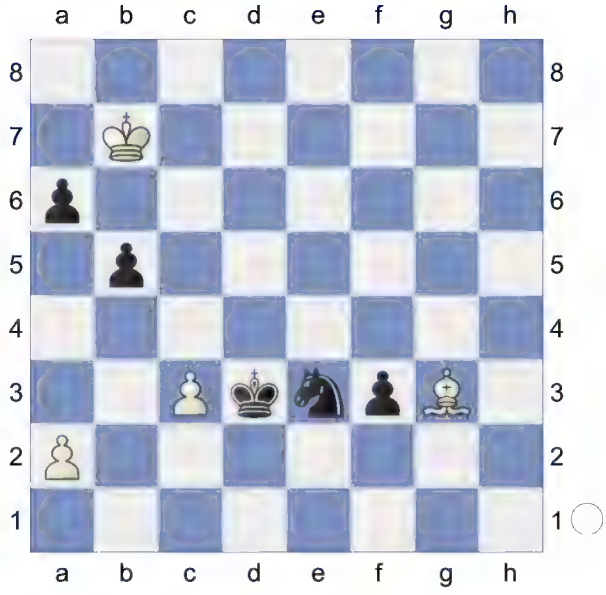


Black is clearly winning. **56.Kc6 Ne3**
57.Kb7 Kf5 ...Ke4 is the strong threat.
58.Bc5 Ke4 And now ...f3 would win.
59.Bd6 f3 ...f2 would now be deadly.
60.Bg3 Kd3



61.Bf2 Nd1 62.Bg1 Nxc3 63.Kxa6 b4
[Worse is 63...Nxa2 64.Kxb5 Ke4 65.Kc6=]

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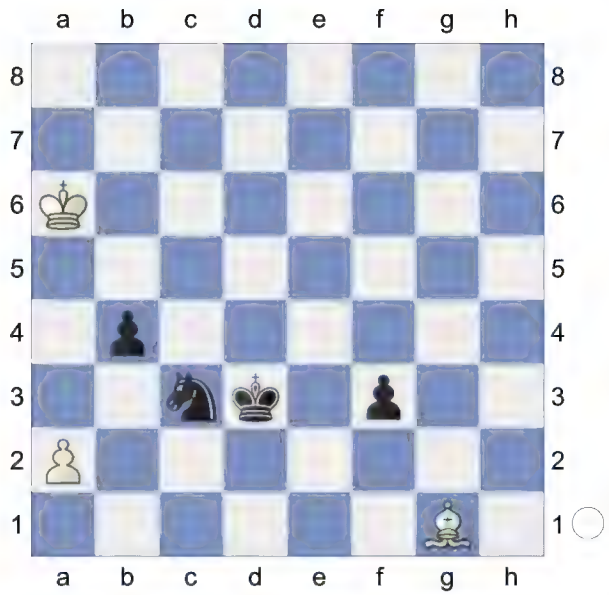

Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/ Black=0.13 (very precise)

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73 **D06**
□ **Ivanisevic,Ivan** **2645**
■ **Miladinovic,Igor** **2555**
ch-SRB 2012 Vrnjacka Banja SRB (3)
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qd6N** 0.95/21

[5...Qa5± 0.52/20 6.Nxd4 *(6.Qxd4 Nc6=)* 6...Nf6 7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4 10.0-0 *(10.Qd3 0-0 11.Bg5 Rd8 12.Qf3 Bxc3+ 13.Qxc3 Nc6 14.0-0 Be6 15.Rac1 Rac8 16.Bxc6 Bxb3 17.Qxb3 bxc6 18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.Qf3 Rd6 20.Rc4 Kh8 21.Rfc1 Qd7 22.b4 a6 23.a4 Rb8 24.Rxc6* 7 Part Chapter-Game Part 1 Chapter*)* 10...Bxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.Bg5 Rd8 13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.c4 a5 15.Rab1 h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 a4 0-1 Theis,B (2608)-Vasquez Bonifacio, L (2738) Moscow FIDE GP 2017 (10)]

[5...Qd8 6.Qxd4 Bd7 7.Ne5 Nc6 8.Qxd7+ Qxd7 9.Nxd7 Kxd7 10.Be3 Rd8 11.0-0-0+ Kc8 12.Rxd8+ Kxd8 13.g3 e6 14.Bg2 a6 15.Rd1+ Kc8 16.Na4 Nf6 17.Nb6+ Kc7 18.Nc4 Nd7 19.Bf4+ Kc8 20.Bd6 1-0 Hulak,K-Manievich,V (PCA) Pula 1994]

(Diagram)

6.Qxd4!± e6 7.Bf4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 White is better. **8...a6+-**

Repels Nd4-b5 **9.g3!** White is much more active. **9...Bb4 10.Bg2 Ne7**

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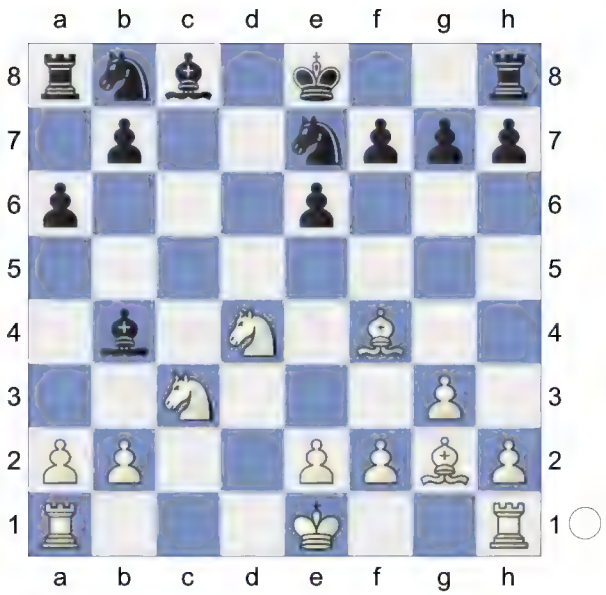


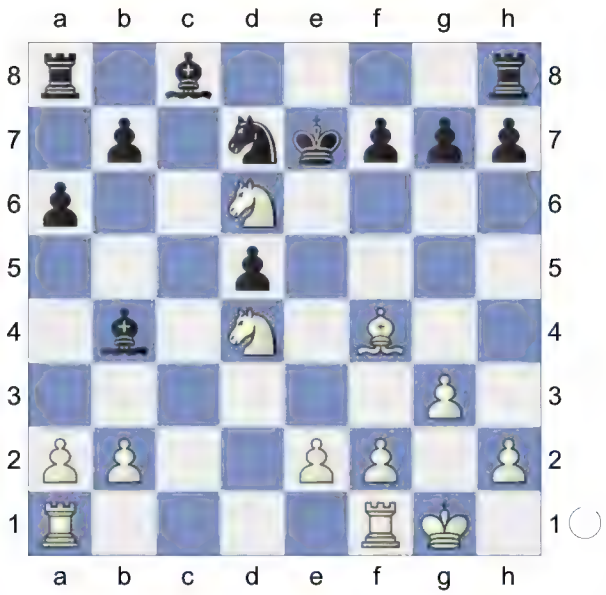
11.0-0 Nd7 White must now prevent ... e6-e5. **12.Ne4 Nd5 13.Nd6+ Ke7 14.Bxd5?!**

[14.N6f5+ Kf6 1.82/20 *(14...exf5±* 1.30/21 *15.Bxd5 g6)* 15.Bxd5+- Threatens to win with Nf5-e3. exd5 2.86/21 *(⌓15...exf5* 1.93/19 *16.Rac1 g5)* 16.Ne3+-]

14...exd5?

[14...Bxd6 15.Bxd6+ Kxd6 16.Bg2]

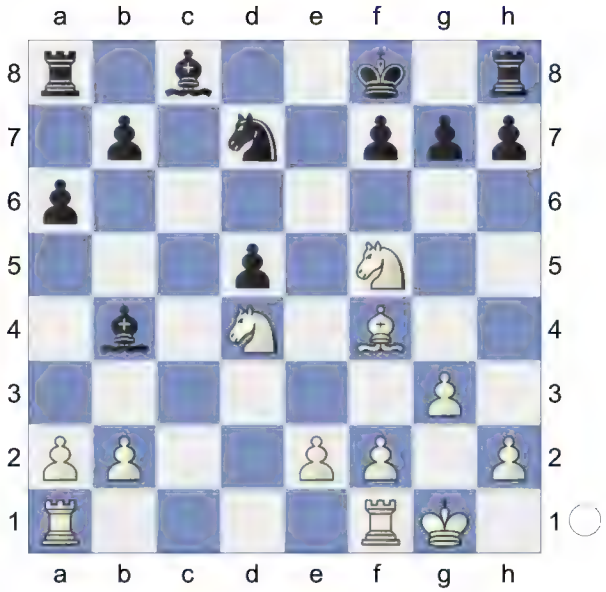
[14...Bxd6 15.Bxd6+ Kxd6 16.Bg2]



Black cannot hold the game after this.

15.N6f5+ Excellent horsemanship.

15...Kf8



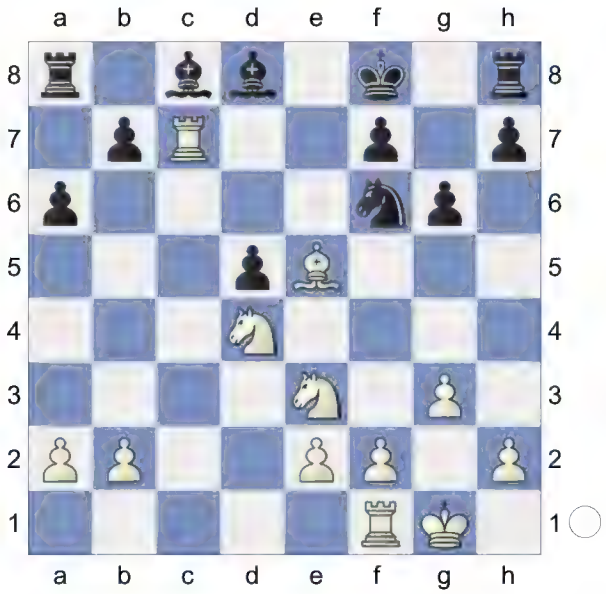
16.Rac1 g6 17.Ne3 Nf6 3.94/23

[17...Bd2 2.48/21 was necessary. 18.Bd6+ Kg7]

18.Be5 Be7 19.Rc7

[19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.Bxh8 f6+-]

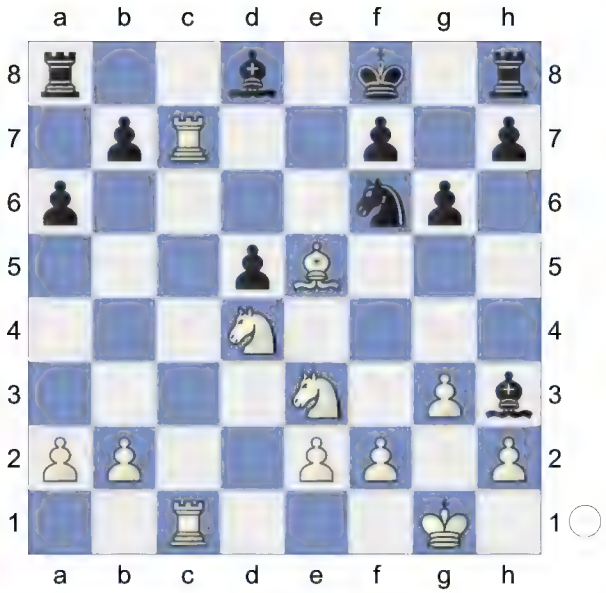
19...Bd8



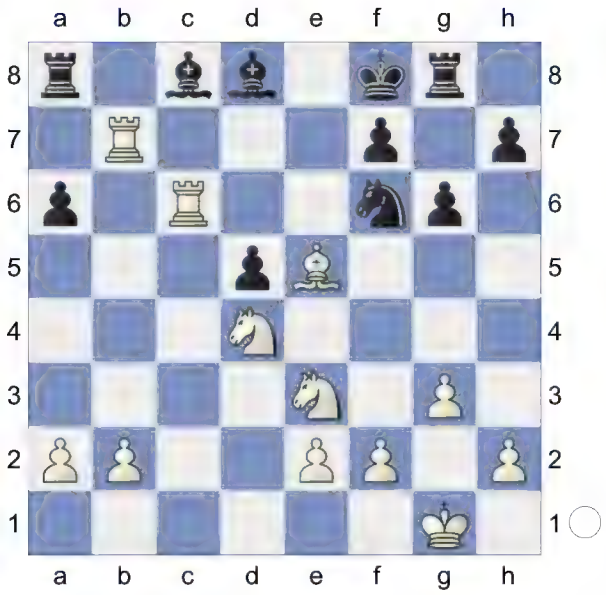
20.Rfc1 Black is weak on the dark squares **20...Bh3**

[20...Bxc7]

[Don't play 20...Bxc7 21.Bxf6]



21.Rxb7 Rg8 22.Rc6 White is clearly winning. **22...Bc8**



23.Ra7 Deflection **23...Rxa7 24.Rxc8**
[Stronger than 24.Bxf6 Bxf6 25.Rxf6 Rc7∓]
24...Rd7

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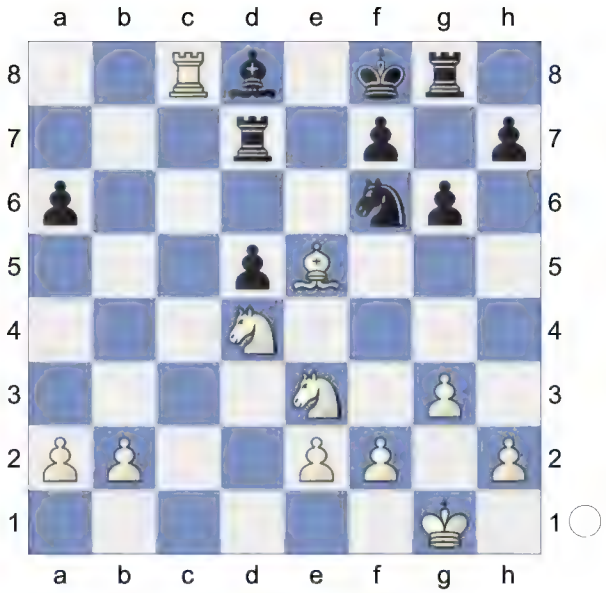

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74 **D06**
□ **Deac,Bogdan-Daniel** **2635**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2755**
FIDE World Rapid and Blitz Championsh..
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Browne,W: 'Inf 33/490' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd5**

6.e4 Nf6 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Nc3 e5 9.Bxd7+ White has an edge.
[9.Nf5 Bxb5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Nxb5 Nxe4 12.Be3 g6 13.f3 gxf5 14.fxe4 Nd7 15.exf5 Bb4+ 16.Ke2 a6 17.Nc3 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rg8 19.g3 Rg4 20.Rhd1 Rc8 21.Rd5 Ke8 22.Rad1 Rc7 23.Bc1 Ra4 0-1 Narayanan,S (2647)-Madaminov,M (2501) Qatar Masters Open 2024 (6.13)]
9...Qxd7 10.Nc2 Qxd1+

(Diagram)

11.Kxd1 Bc5N
[11...Nc6 12.Bg5 Nd7 *(12...Bb4 13.Nxb4 Nxb4 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Ke2 Rd8 16.a3 Nc6 17.Rac1 Rg8 18.g3 Ke7 19.Ke3 Ke6 20.Na4 Kd6 21.Rhd1+ Kc7 22.Rd5 Rd6 23.Nc3 a6 24.Rxd6 Kxd6 25.Rd1+ Ke7 26.Nd5+ Ke6 27.Nc7+* 1-0 Moroni,L (2553)-Bertagnolli,A (2358) ITA-chT T9 51st 2019 (1.6)*)* 13.Nd5 Rc8 Chapter-N,N]
12.Ke2 Nc6 13.Rd1 Rc8 14.f3 Ke7 15.Be3
[15.Bg5 Ke6 16.Nd5 Nd4+ 17.Nxd4+ Bxd4 18.Nf4+]
15...Bxe3

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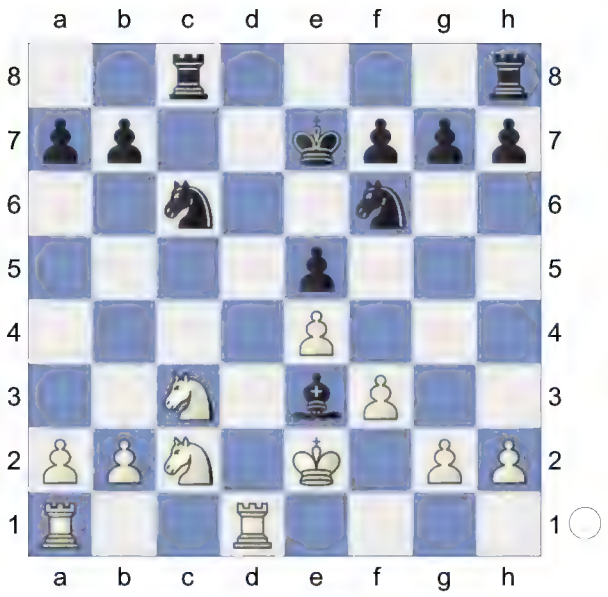
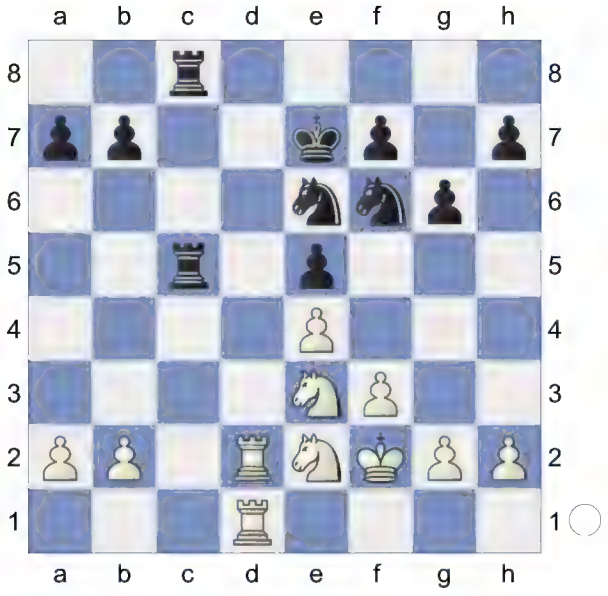


16.Nxe3 Nd4+ 17.Kf2 g6 18.Rd2
[18.g4 keeps more tension. g5 19.Kg3 h5 20.h3]
18...Rc5 19.Ne2 Ne6
[19...Nxe2 simplifies 20.Kxe2 Rd8 21.Rxd8 Kxd8 22.Rd1+ Ke7]
20.Rad1 Rhc8



21.a4 Rd8 22.Rxd8 Nxd8 23.Nc1 and Nc1-d3 would now be decisive
23...Rc8 24.Nd3 Nd7 25.Nb4 f6

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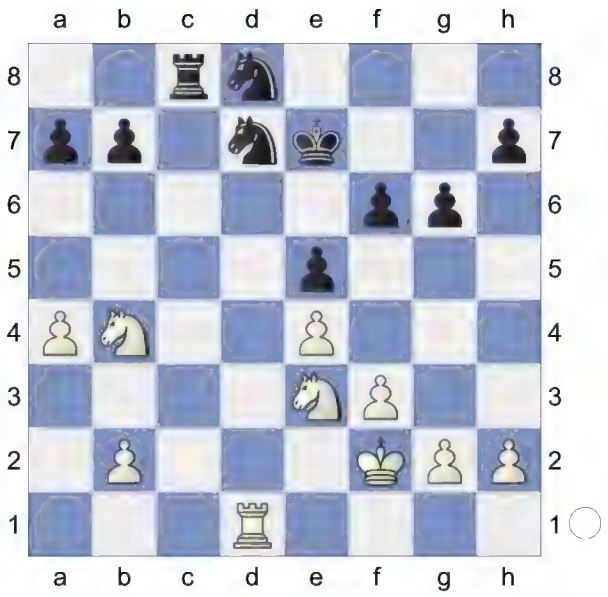
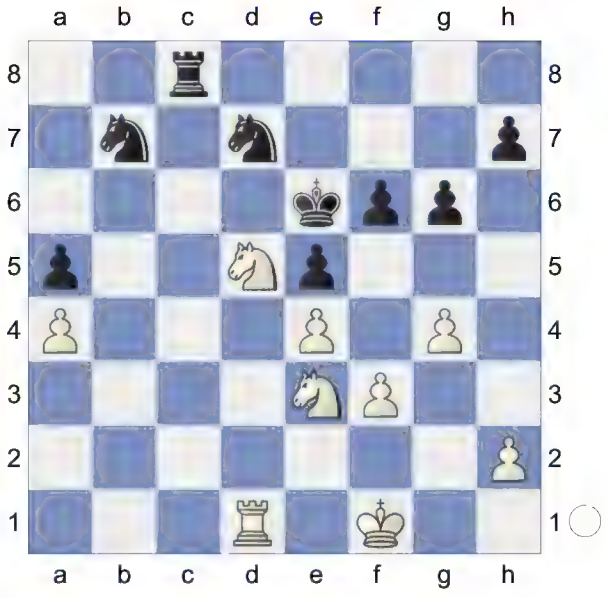


26.Nbd5+ Ke6 27.Kf1 0.16/18
[27.b4± 0.61/20]
27...b6 28.b4 Nb7 29.g4 a5 30.bxa5 0.27/21
[30.Rb1± 0.63/20]
30...bxa5=



31.Rb1 Nd6 32.h4 Rc6 33.Kg2 Rc8 34.h5 gxh5 35.gxh5 White wants to play Kg2-h3. **35...Rc5**

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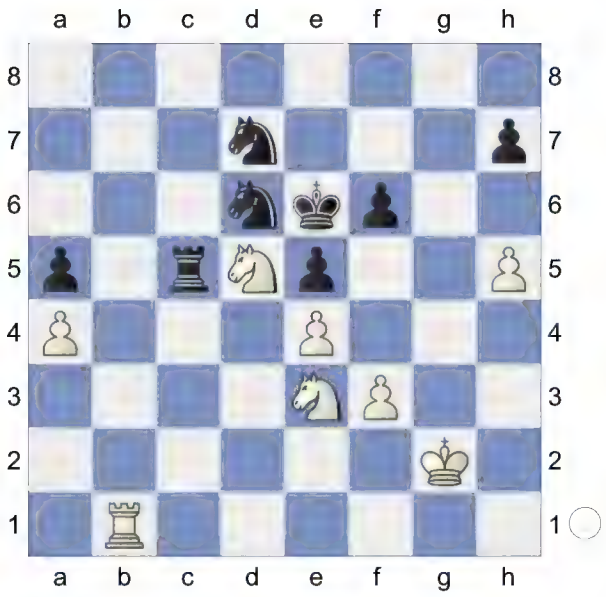
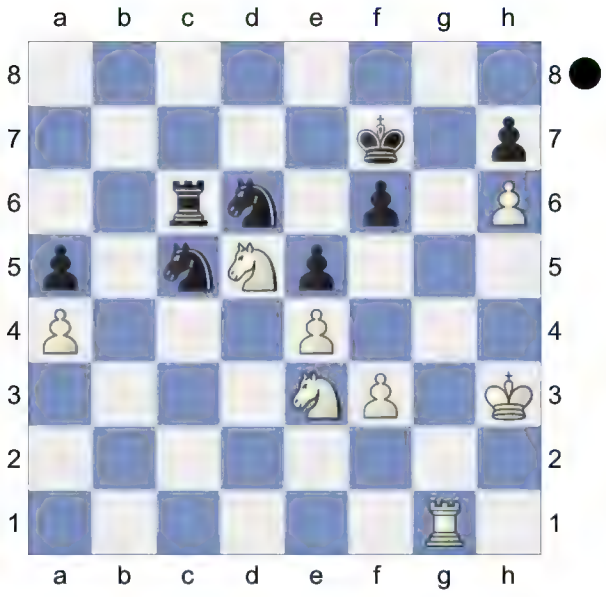
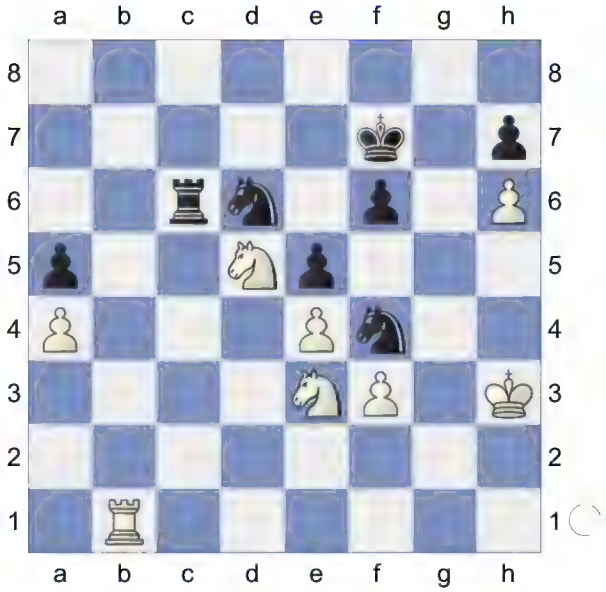


36.Rd1 Rc6 1.35/21
[36...f5= 0.01/23]
37.Kh3 Nc5 38.Rg1 1.64/19
[38.Rb1± 1.26/20]
38...Kf7 2.71/22
[⌓38...Nxa4 1.64/19 39.Kh4 Nc5]
39.h6? 0.90/21
[39.Ng4+- 2.71/22 and White stays clearly on top.]

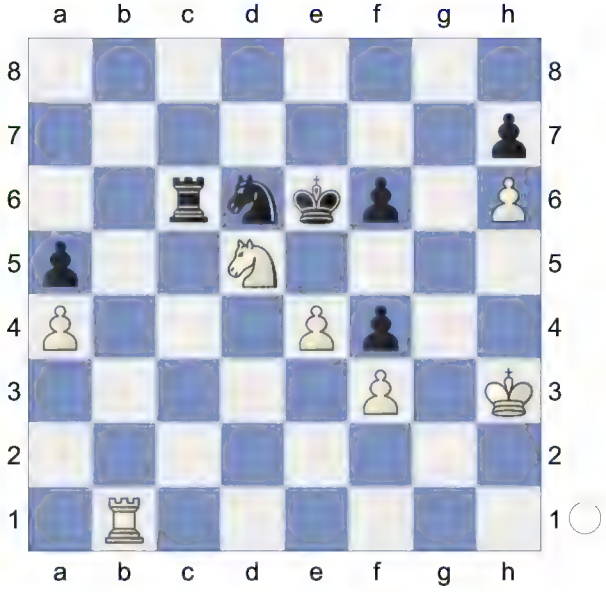


39...Ne6± 40.Rb1 0.01/22 White is more active.
[40.Kh4± 0.91/21]

40...Nf4+ 0.80/24
[40...Nd4= 0.01/22 remains equal.]



41.Nxf4 exf4 Endgame KRN-KRN
42.Nd5 Ke6? 2.66/22
[42...f5± 0.57/22]



43.Nxf4++- Ke5 44.Nh5 0.55/20
[44.Kg4+- 2.49/21]
44...f5± 45.exf5 Kxf5

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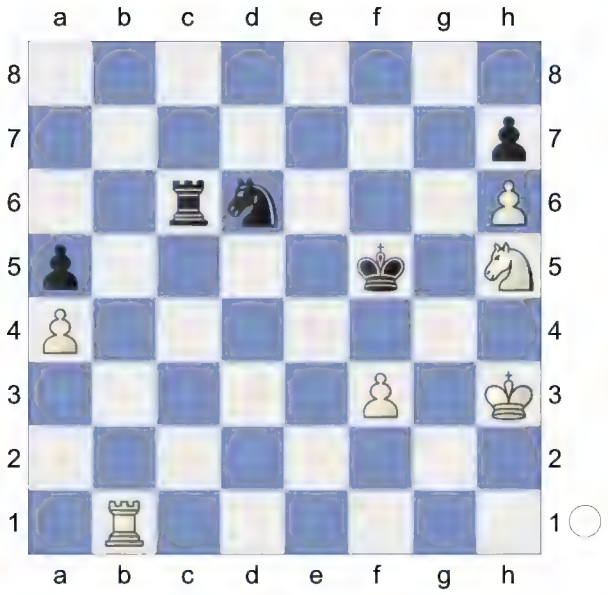
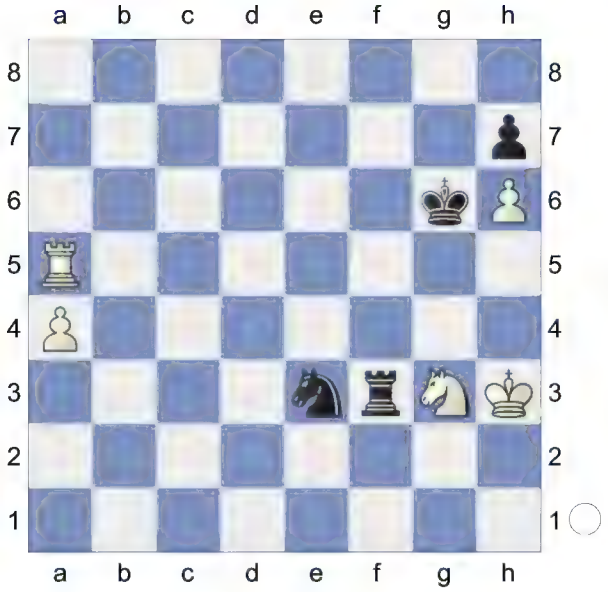


46.Rd1 Kg6 47.Rd5 Nc4 48.Ng3 0.25/24

[White should play 48.f4± 0.73/20]

48...Rf6!= 49.Rc5 Ne3 The position is equal. **50.Rxa5 Rxf3**



51.Kh2 Rf2+ 52.Kh3 Rf3 53.Kh2 Kxh6 54.Rb5 Kg6 55.a5 Nf1+

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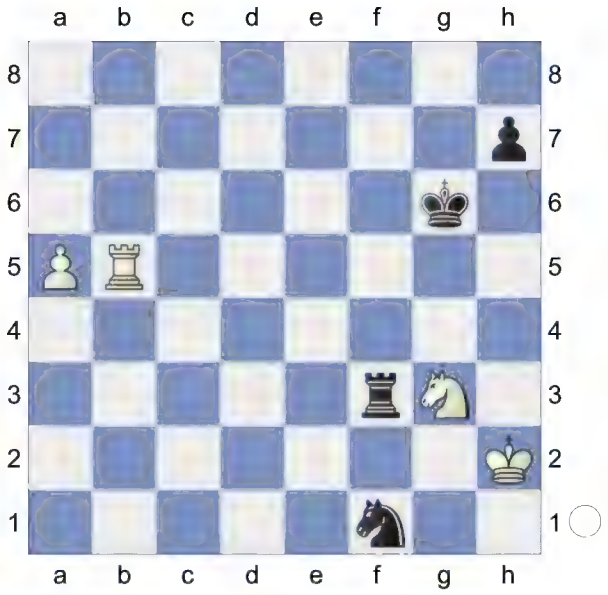

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.21 (precise)

½-½

75 **D06**
□ **Korchnoi,Viktor** **2625**
■ **Piket,Jeroen** **2590**
Antwerp Antwerp BEL (3) 1993
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4** Piket,Jeroen Piket, Jeroen: 'Ftacnik Ftacnik,L Ftacnik' **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.dxc5**

[4.Nf3 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik cxd4 5.Qa4+ Qd7 6.Qxd4 Qxd5 7.Nc3 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 a6 9.g3 e5 10.Nb3 Nc6 11.Bg2 Be6 12.0-0 0-0-0 13.Be3 Nd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.Rfc1 Bxg2 16.Kxg2 Rd5 17.Nd2 Bd6 18.Nc4 Bc7 19.Bb6 Bb8 20.e4 Rd3 21.Kf1 f6 22.Ke2 Rd7 23.Na5 Rd6 24.Nxc6± Vokac,M-Biolek,R/CSR-ch (11)/1992/0.5 (70)]

[4.e4 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Nxe4 5.dxc5 *(5.Bc4 Qa5+ 6.Bd2 Nxd2 7.Nxd2 b5 8.Be2 Nd7 9.Ngf3 g6 10.0-0 Bg7 11.a4 bxa4 12.Rxa4 Qd8 13.Bb5 0-0 14.Bc6 Rb8 15.Rxa7 cxd4 16.Nc4 Nb6 17.Nxb6 Qxb6 18.Rxe7 Qxb2 19.h3* Barczay,L-Barcza,G/Hungary/1969/ 1-0 (19) *)* 5...Nxc5 6.Nf3 e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5 Qe7+ 9.Be3 Nc6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.0-0 Ne6 12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.Qxe5 Bxb5 14.Nxb5 a6 15.Rad1 Rd8 16.Bb6 Rxd1 17.Rxd1 f6 18.Qf5 g6 19.Nc7+ Kf7 Portisch,L-Bronstein,D/Monte Carlo/ 1969/1-0 (20)]

4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5

[Breutigam: In the 1950s and 1960s, the US GM Bisguier was one of the experts in this system. Some of his games on the theme of 4.dxc5 will be integrated later. Der US-amerikanische GM Bisguier gehörte in den 1950er und 1960er Jahren zu den Experten dieses Systems. Einige seiner Partie zum Thema 4.dxc5 sind in der Folge integriert worden. 5.Bd2 Piket,Jeroen Qxc5 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.e3 g6! 8.Nf3 Bg7 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 Rd8 11.Qa4 Bd7 12.Qh4 Ne5 13.Rfd1 Nxf3+ 14.Bxf3 Bc6 15.Bxc6 Qxc6 16.e4 ½-½ Rabar,B-Bisguier,A/ Zagreb 1955/MCD]

5...Nxd5

6.e4

[Breutigam: Probably level, but somewhat less pleasant for White is the line Als vermutlich ausgeglichen, aber etwas angenehmer für Weiß gilt 6.Bd2 Piket,Jeroen Nc6 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.Bxc3 e5 9.Nf3

A) The interesting pawn sacrifice Noch nicht versucht worden ist das interessante Bauernopfer 9...Bxc5!? has not yet been tried. (It is Rybka's favourite.) (Rybkas Favorit.) 10.Nxe5 *(10.Rc1 Bd6)* 10...Nxe5 11.Bxe5 Bb4+ 12.Bc3 Bxc3+ 13.bxc3 Be6⩱;

B) 9...f6 10.Rc1 Bxc5 11.Bxe5

Bxf2+ 12.Kxf2 fxe5 13.e4 Be6 14.Bb5 Bxa2 15.Rxc6 bxc6 16.Bxc6+ Ke7 17.Bxa8 Rxa8 18.Ra1 Bc4 19.Nxe5 Bb5 20.Ke3 a5 21.b3 a4 22.bxa4 Rxa4 23.Rxa4 Bxa4 24.Kf4 Bb5 25.h4 Bf1 26.g3 Bb5 27.Nf3 Bc4 28.Ke5 Be6 29.Nd4 Bh3 30.Nf5+ Kf7 31.Ne3 Bc8 32.Kd6 h5 33.Nd5 Bg4 34.Nf4 Bd1 35.e5 g6 36.e6+ Kf6 37.Nd5+ Kg7 38.e7 Kf7 39.Nc3 Bg4 40.Ne4 Be2 41.Ng5+ Ke8 42.Ke6 Bd3 43.Kf6 1-0 Byrne,R-Bisguier,A/San Francisco 1961/EXT 2007]

6...Nb4 7.Na3 Repels Nb4-c2+ **7...e5**

[Breutigam: Perhaps when he chose this line in 1993, Korchnoi was thinking on a nice miniature of his own some 40 years previously: Vielleicht dachte Kortschnoj, als er im Jahr 1993 diese Variante wählte, an eine eigene nette Kurzpartie, die damals fast 40 Jahre zurücklag: 7...e6 Piket,Jeroen 8.Be3 N8a6 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Kxd7 11.0-0-0+ Kc6? 12.Nf3 Bxc5 13.Ne5+ Kb6 14.Rd6+! Nc6 15.Nd7+ 1-0 Kortschnoj,V-Gusev,Y/ Poltava 1956.]

8.Nf3 The position is equal.

[Ftacnik: 'Breutigam: The alternative is Die Alternative ist' 8.Be3 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik N8a6 Ftacnik: 'and Black appears to recover his pawn sooner or later: und Schwarz scheint seinen Bauern früher oder später zurückzubekommen:'

A) 9.Nf3 oder Bxc5 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 11.Nxe5 Bxe3 12.fxe3 Be6⩲;

B) 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.Nb5 Bd7 11.Nd6+ Bxd6 12.cxd6 Bc6 13.f3 Nb4 14.Kd2 Kd7! *(14...0-0-0?! 15.Kc3 a5 16.a3 Na6 17.Rd1)* 15.Nh3 *(15.Bc5 Na6 16.Ba3 b5; 15.Kc3?! a5 16.a3 Rhc8! 17.axb4?? axb4+)* 15...f6 16.Kc3 a5 17.a3 Na6 18.Rad1 Rhc8 19.Kb3 Bb5 20.Ka2 Rc6;

C) 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Kxd7∞ 11.0-0-0+ Ke6 12.Nb5 Nxa2+ 13.Kb1 N2b4 14.Nf3 f6]

8...f6 9.Bd2

[Breutigam: 9.Be3 Piket,Jeroen N8a6 would transpose to the previous annotation. wäre Zugumstellung zur vorherigen Anmerkung. 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 *(10...bxa6 11.Ke2 Bb7 12.Nd2 0-0-0 13.Rhc1 Nd3 14.Rc3 Nf4+ 15.Bxf4 exf4)* 11.Nb5 Bd7 12.Nd6+ Bxd6 13.cxd6 Bc6 14.Nd2 Kd7]

9...N8c6

[9...Bxc5?! (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik 10.Rc1 b6 11.Nb5↑]

10.Bb5 Piket,Jeroen: 'N'

[10.Be3 Piket,Jeroen]

[10.Rc1 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Nxa2 11.Rc4 Be6 12.Ra4?! Bb3!]

10...Bxc5

11.Ke2

[11.0-0 Piket,Jeroen Bd7 12.Rfc1

Be7=]
[11.Rc1 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Bd6]
11...Ke7 Piket,Jeroen: '!'
[11...Bd7?! Piket,Jeroen 12.Rhc1 Be7 13.Nc4! Nd8 14.Bxd7+ Kxd7 15.Bxb4 Bxb4 16.Rd1+ Ke6 17.Ne3 Δ Nd5± Δ ♘d5±]
12.Rhc1 b6 Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' Ftacnik: '=!' '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik, L: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' '!'
[12...Bd6 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik 13.Nc4]
13.Nc4⇄ Black must now prevent a2-a3. White is not holding back
[13.Be3 Piket,Jeroen Nd4+]
13...Ba6
[13...a6?! 14.Ba4± *(14.Nxb6 Bxb6 15.Bxc6 Nxc6±)*]
[13...Bg4! (Piket,Jeroen) (Korchnoi,V) 14.Bxb4 Bxf3+! *(14...Nd4+? 15.Kf1! Bxb4 16.Nxd4 Δ f3 Δ f3)* 15.Kxf3 Nd4+ 16.Kg4 *(16.Ke3)* 16...h5+ *(16...Bxb4 17.Ba6 h5+)* 17.Kh3 Bxb4
A) 18.Ba6 g5 *(18...Ne6 19.Ne3 Bc5 20.Nd5+ Kf7 21.f3 g5 22.g3 g4+ 23.fxg4 hxg4+ 24.Kg2 Rh6 25.Bc4 Rah8 26.Rh1 b5 27.Bb3 Kg7)*;
B) 18.Ne3 Nxb5 19.Nd5+ Ke6 20.Nxb4 Rac8∓]
14.Bxa6
[14.Bxb4 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Bxb5 15.Bxc5+ bxc5 16.Ke3 Rhd8∞]
14...Nxa6 15.Ne3
[15.a3 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Rhc8 16.b4 Nd4+⇄]
15...Bxe3
[15...Rhc8 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik 16.Nd5+]

16.Kxe3
[16.Bxe3 Piket,Jeroen Rhc8 17.Rc3
A) 17...Ncb4 Ftacnik 18.a3?! *(18.Rxc8 Rxc8 19.a3 Nc6 20.Rc1 Nc5 21.Bxc5+ bxc5)* 18...Rxc3 19.axb4 Rc2+ 20.Kd1 Nxb4∓;
B) 17...Nc5! 18.Rac1 Kd6 19.Rd1+ Ke7 20.Rdc1=]
[16.Rxc6 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Bxd2 17.Nxd2 Rhc8 18.Rac1 Rxc6 19.Rxc6 Kd7=]
16...Rhc8 17.Rc4 Nd8 18.Rac1 Rxc4 19.Rxc4 Ne6 20.b4 Nac7

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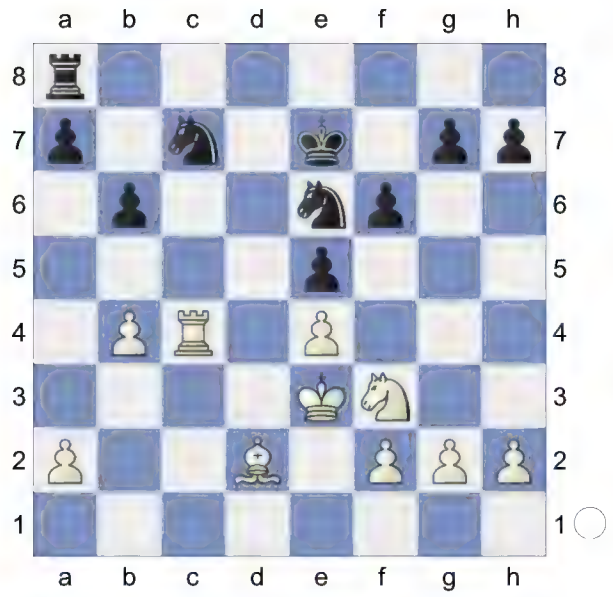
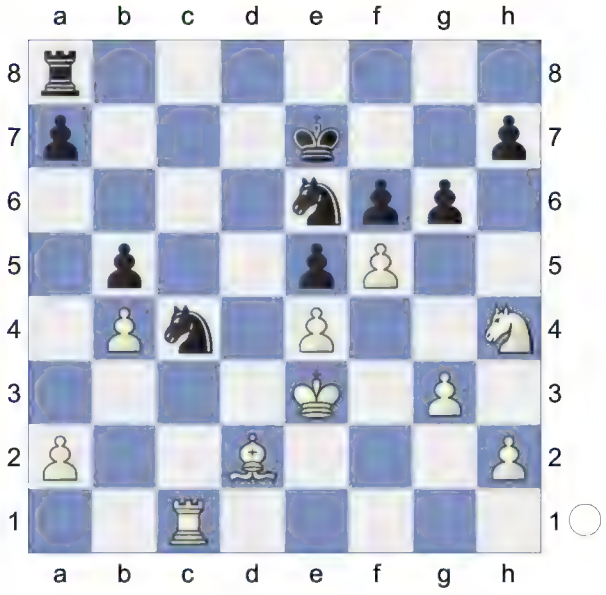


21.g3
[21.a4 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik b5 22.axb5 Nxb5=]
21...Nb5 22.Nh4 g6 Repels Nh4-f5+
23.f4 Nd6 24.Rc1 b5 Piket,Jeroen: '!?' Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik, L: '!' Ftacnik: '!' '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' '!'"
[24...exf4+ Piket,Jeroen 25.gxf4 Nxf4 26.Kxf4 g5+ 27.Kf3 *(27.Ke3 gxh4 28.Rc7+ Ke6 29.Rxh7 Nc4+ 30.Ke2 Nxd2 31.Kxd2 Rg8)* 27...gxh4 28.Rc7+ Ke6 29.Rxh7 Rd8! 30.Rxh4 Nxe4=]
25.f5 Piket,Jeroen: '□' Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik/Donev: '?!' Ftacnik,L: '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik/Donev: '?!' Ftacnik,L: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik: '?!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?!' '?!' Ftacnik/Donev: '?!' Ftacnik,L: '?!' '?!'"
[25.fxe5 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Nc4+ 26.Ke2 fxe5↑]
25...Nc4+
[25...gxf5 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik 26.Nxf5+ Nxf5+ 27.exf5 Nd4 28.Rc7+ Kd6 29.Rxh7±]
[25...Nf8 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik 26.Kf3±]
[25...Nd4 Piket,Jeroen 26.Rc7+ Kd8 27.Rxh7 Nc4+ 28.Kf2!! *(28.Kd3 Nb2+ 29.Kc3 Nd1+ 30.Kd3 Nf2+ 31.Ke3 Nd1+=* Dauerschach*!)* 28...Nxd2 29.Rh8+ Kd7 30.Rxa8 Nxe4+ 31.Ke3 gxf5 32.Nxf5!+- Donev,I]



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L: '!' Ftacnik: '!' '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' '!''

26.Rxc4!

[26.Ke2 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Nd4+ 27.Kd1 g5 28.Ng2 Rd8-+]

26...bxc4 27.fxe6 Rd8

[27...Rc8? Piket,Jeroen 28.Bc3 Rd8 29.Ke2! Rd3 30.Bb2]

28.Ng2 Piket,Jeroen: '!'

[28.b5 Piket,Jeroen Rd3+ 29.Ke2 Kxe6 30.Bb4 Rd4 31.Ke3=]

[28.Nf3 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Rd3+ 29.Ke2 Ra3∓]

28...Rd3+ 29.Ke2 Ra3

[29...Rd4 Piket,Jeroen 30.Be3 *(30.Ke3=)* 30...Rxe4 31.Kf3 f5 32.Bxa7⇄ Donev,I]

30.Ne3 Rxa2

[30...Kxe6? 31.Nxc4 Rxa2 Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik' 32.h3± *(32.b5∓* Piket,Jeroen *)*]

[30...c3?? (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?' '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik/Donev: '?' Ftacnik,L: '?' Ftacnik: '?' '?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik/Donev: '?' Ftacnik,L: '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik: '?' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '?' '?' Ftacnik/Donev: '?' Ftacnik,L: '?' '?' 31.Nd5+ *(31.Bxc3!* Ftacnik *)* 31...Kxe6 32.Nxc3+-]

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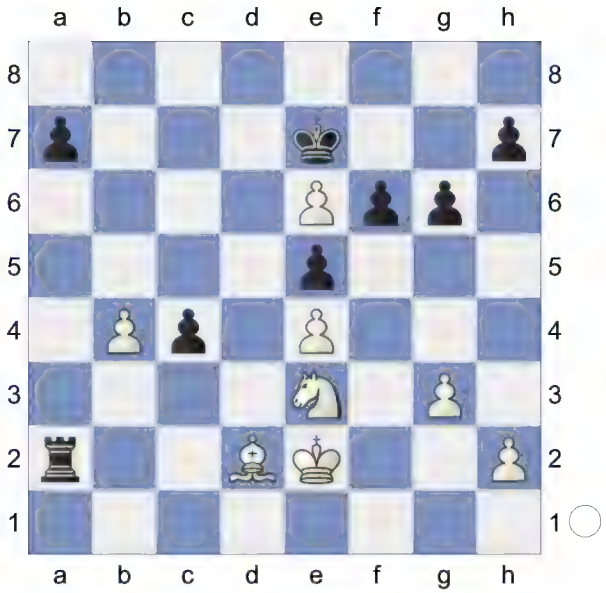

31.Nxc4 a6 32.h4

[⌓32.g4 (Piket,Jeroen) Δ f5∞ Δ f5∞]

32...Kxe6 Piket,Jeroen: '?!'

[32...h5! Piket,Jeroen]

33.Kd3

[33.g4!? Piket,Jeroen f5⇄]

33...Ra1 Black has compensation.

34.Be3 -0.51/22 Prevents Ra1-g1

[Better is 34.Ke3= -0.01/23]

34...Rb1∓ 35.Bc5? -2.33/23 This costs White the game. Piket,Jeroen: '⊕??'

[White has to play 35.Kc3!∓ -0.45/22 Re1= Piket,Jeroen]

[35.Bd2 Piket,Jeroen Rg1]

35...Rb3+-+

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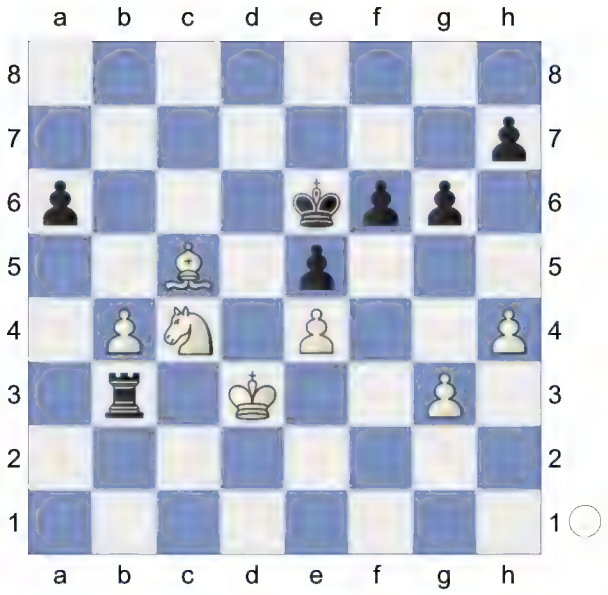

Skewer **36.Kc2 Rxg3 37.Na5 Rg4 38.Nc6 Rxe4 39.Nb8 a5** Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' Ftacnik: '!' '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik,Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik,L: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik: '!' Ftacnik, Lubomir: '!' '!' Ftacnik/Donev: '!' Ftacnik, L: '!' '!'

[Weaker is 39...Rxh4 40.Nxa6 Kd5 *(40...h5? 41.b5-+)* 41.Be7-+]

40.Kd3

[40.bxa5 (Piket,Jeroen) Ftacnik Rc4+-+]

40...Rxb4

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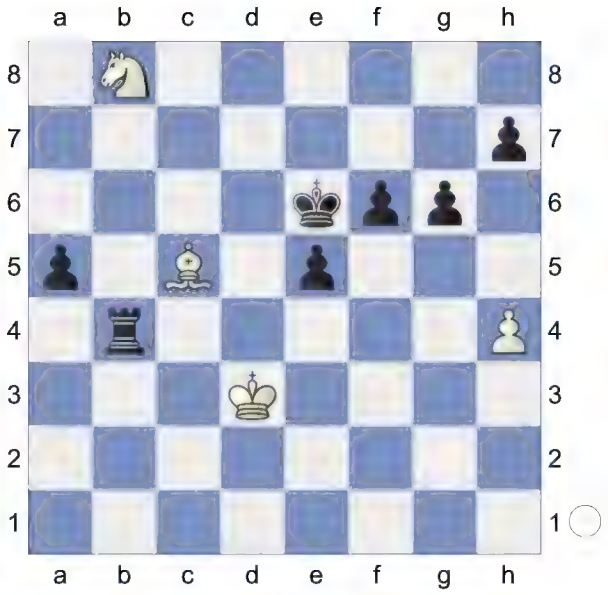
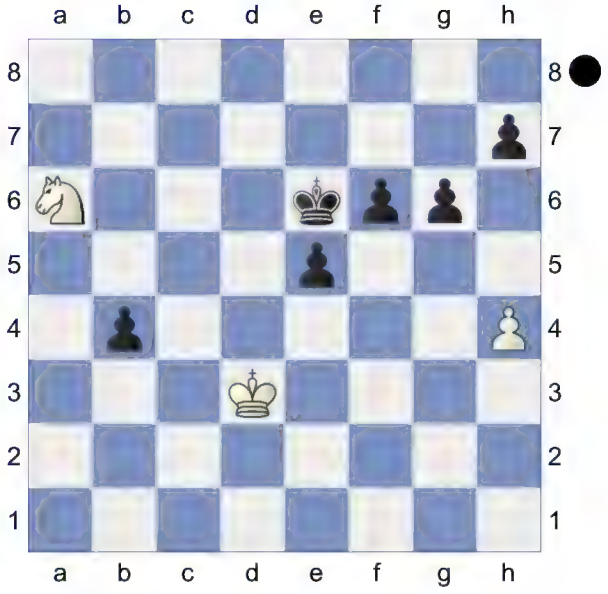


Piket,Jeroen: '-+!' **41.Bxb4 axb4** Endgame KN-KP **42.Na6**

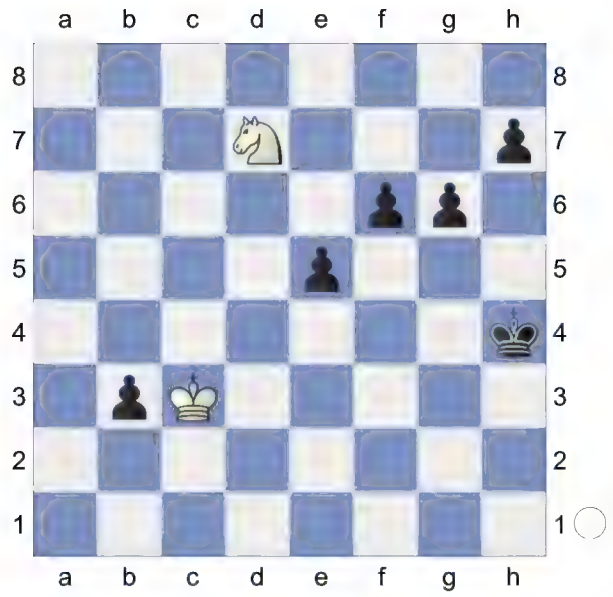


b3 43.Nc5+ Kf5 44.Kc3 -7.79/25

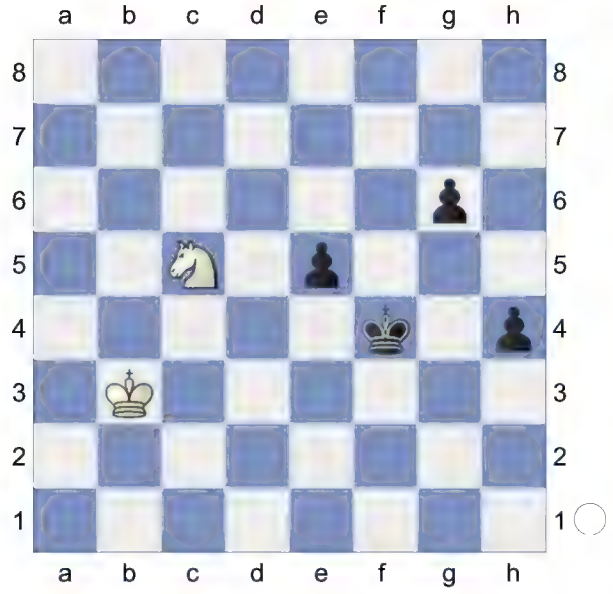
[44.Nxb3 -3.07/22 Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik' Kg4 45.Ke4 Kxh4-+ Piket,Jeroen]

44...Kg4 Black is clearly winning. **45.Nd7 Kxh4**

(Diagram)



46.Nxf6 h5 Threatens to win with ...Kh4-g3. **47.Kxb3N** Piket,Jeroen: 'Ftacnik' **47...Kg5 48.Ne4+ Kf4 49.Nc5 h4**



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76 **D06**
□ **Djuric,Stefan** **2625**
■ **Rakhmatullin,Kamil** **2590**
2nd Rowell International, Century City
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.dxc5N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5

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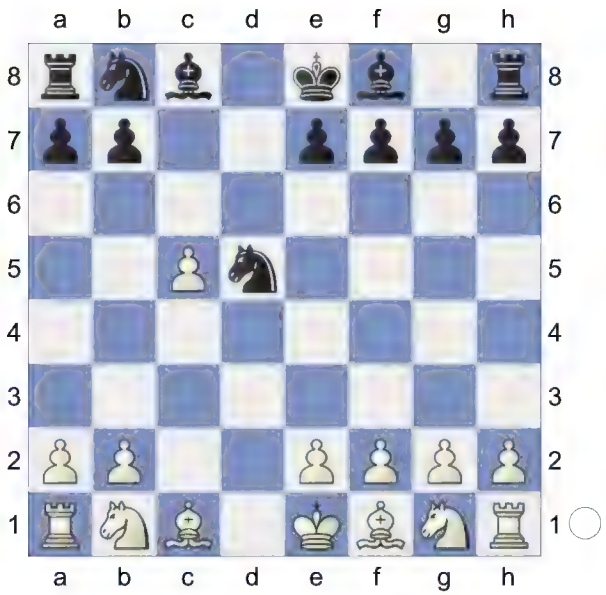
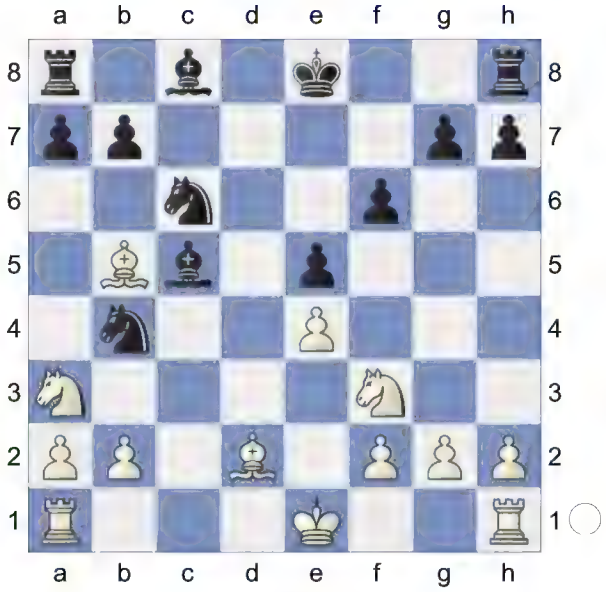


6.e4 Nb4 White must now prevent ... Nc2+. **7.Na3** Inhibits Nc2+. **7...e5 8.Nf3** White has an edge. **8...f6 9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bb5** Strongly threatening Bxb4.
10...Bxc5



11.Ke2 Ke7 12.Rhc1 b6 13.Nc4 Ba6 0.10/18
[⌓13...Bg4 -0.29/21 14.Bxb4 Bxf3+ 15.Kxf3 Nd4+ 16.Kg3 Bxb4]
14.Bxa6= Nxa6 15.Ne3 Bxe3

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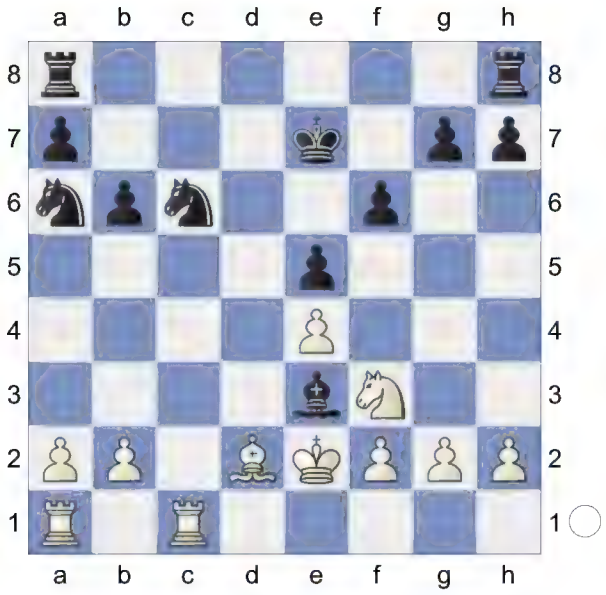
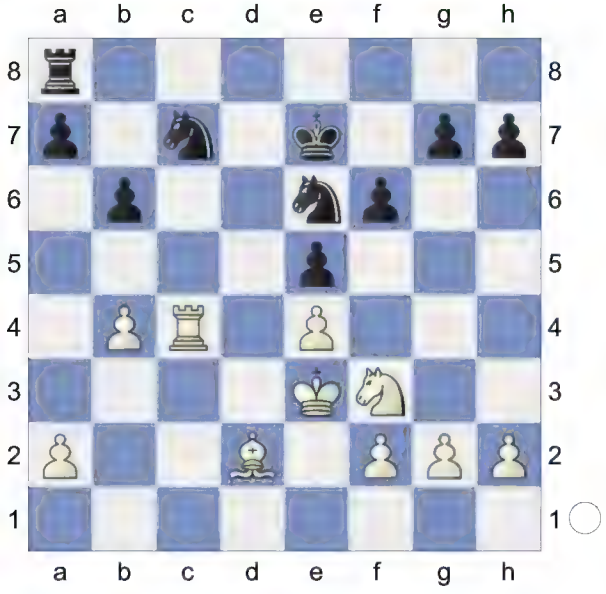
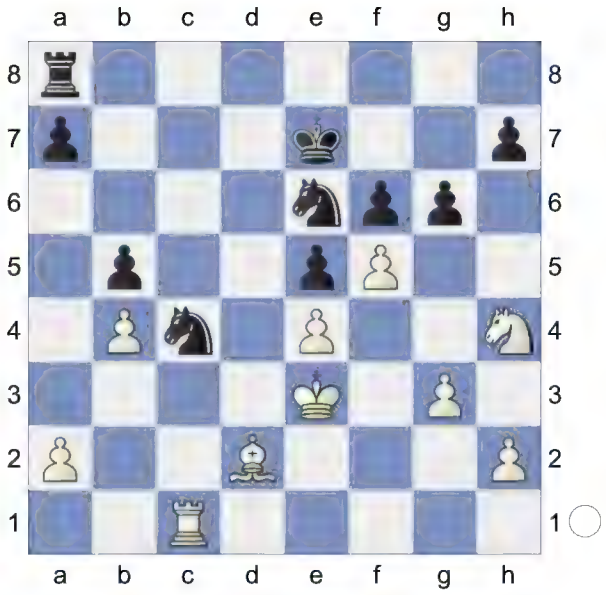


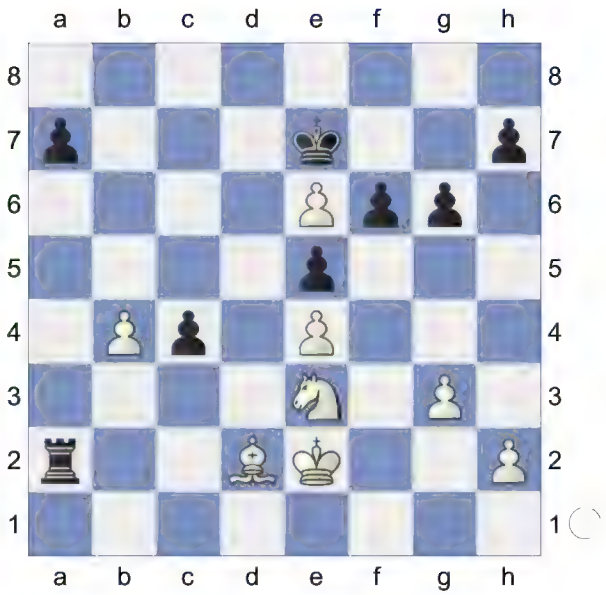
16.Kxe3
[But not 16.Rxc6 Bc5 17.b4 Kd7!∓]
16...Rhc8 17.Rc4 Nd8 18.Rac1 Rxc4 19.Rxc4
[19.Bc3 is more complex. Nc5 20.Nd2 Ra4 21.a3]
19...Ne6 20.b4 Nac7



21.g3 Nb5 22.Nh4 -0.38/21
[22.h3= -0.06/18]
22...g6∓ 23.f4 Nd6 24.Rc1 b5 -0.01/22
[24...exf4+!∓ -0.43/18 is superior. 25.gxf4 b5]
25.f5= Nc4+



26.Rxc4! bxc4 27.fxe6 Rd8 aiming for ...Rd3+. **28.Ng2 Rd3+ 29.Ke2 Ra3** Hoping for ...c3. **30.Ne3 Rxa2**



31.Nxc4 a6 32.h4 Kxe6 33.Kd3 Ra1 34.Be3 Against Rg1 **34...Rb1** White should prevent ...Rb3+. **35.Bc5?** -1.71/23 Now White is beyond hope.
[35.Kc3= -0.01/23 and White is okay.]
35...Rb3+-+

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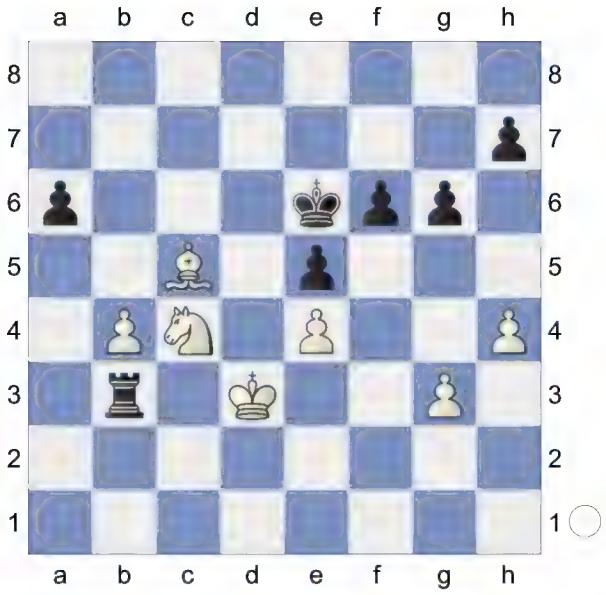
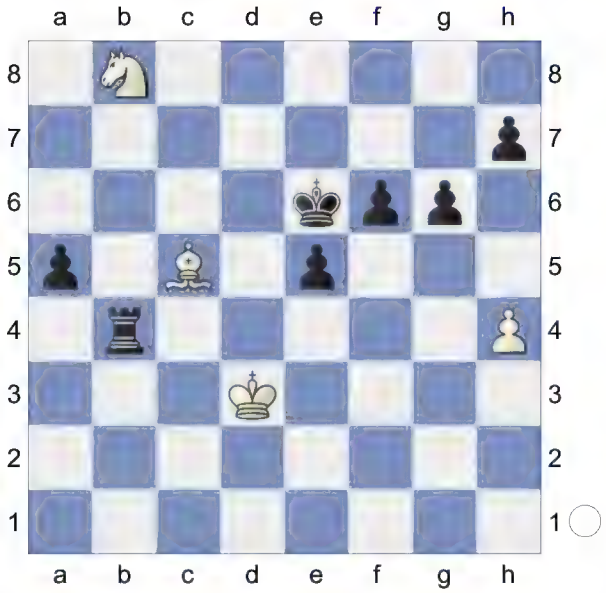


Skewer **36.Kc2** -2.74/24
[36.Ke2 -1.61/23 was necessary.]
36...Rxg3 37.Na5? -4.83/23
[37.Nd6 -2.83/22]
37...Rg4 38.Nc6 Rxe4 39.Nb8 a5 40.Kd3 Rxb4



41.Bxb4 axb4 Endgame KN-KP **42.Na6**

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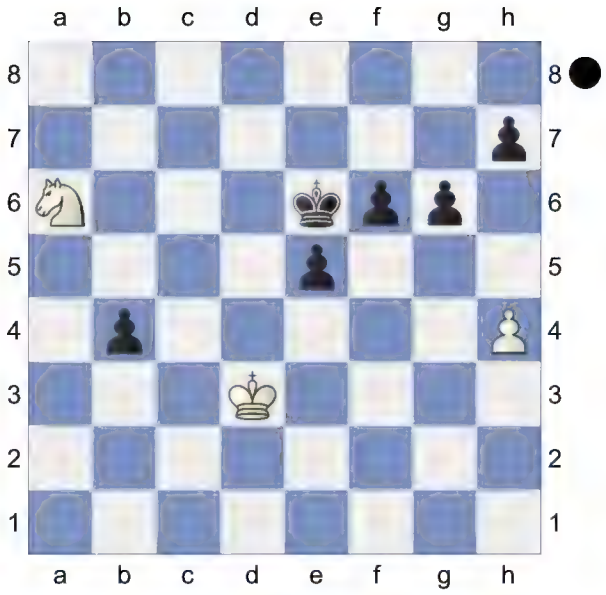
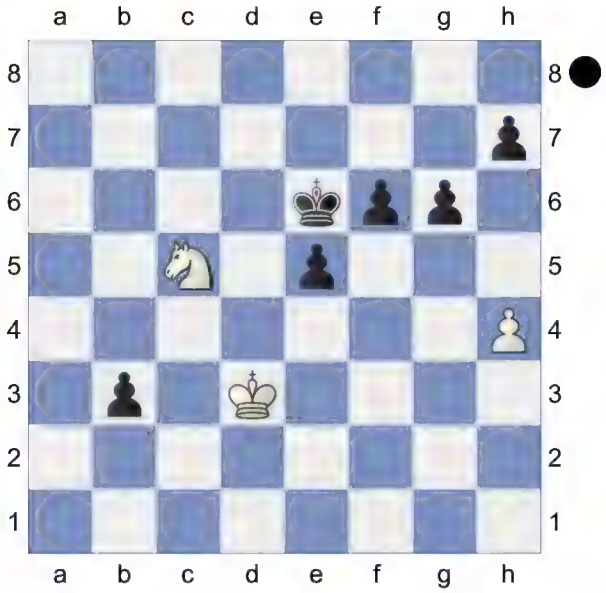


b3 43.Nc5+



Black is clearly winning. **43...Kf5!**
44.Kc3 -10.12/28
[⌓44.Nxb3 -5.05/24 Kg4 45.Ke3]
44...Kg4 45.Nd7 Kxh4

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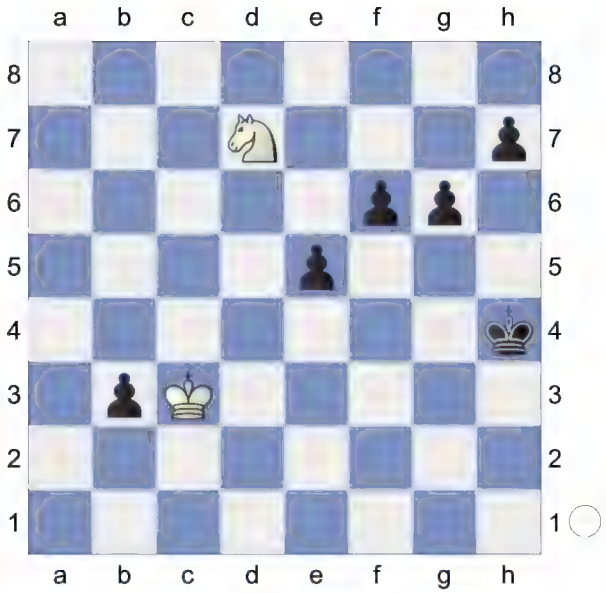
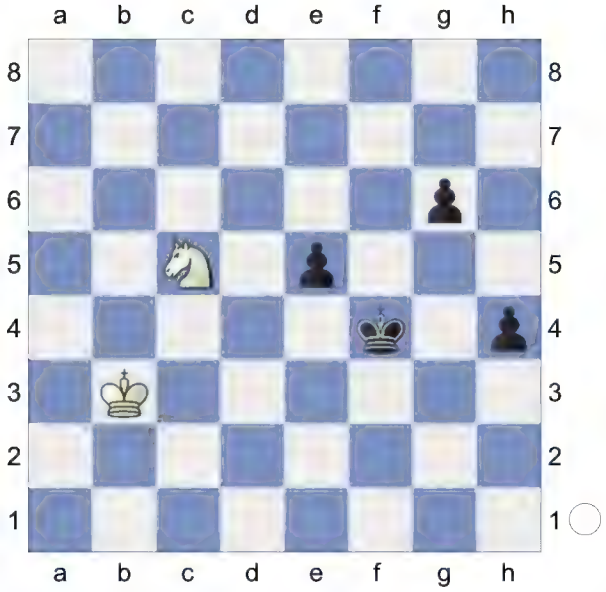


46.Nxf6 h5 47.Kxb3 Kg5 48.Ne4+ Kf4 49.Nc5 h4



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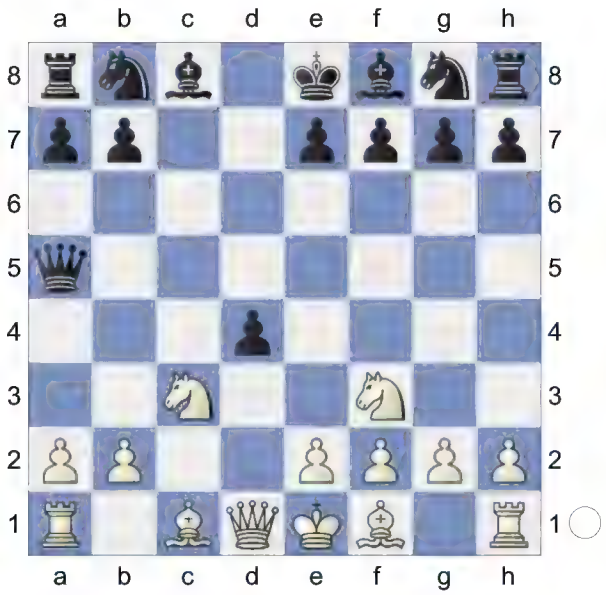
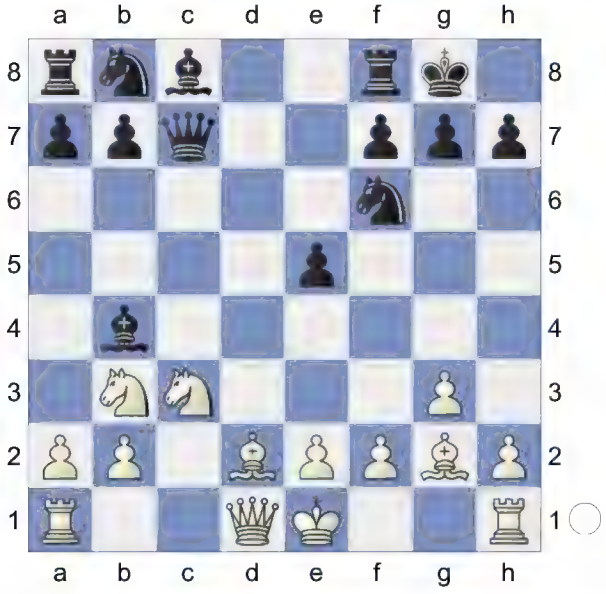
77 **D06**
□ **Nikolic,Predrag** **2622**
■ **Ulybin,Mikhail** **2521**
Bodensee Open 2016 (9.1) 08.05.2016
[Besenthal,Klaus Guenter]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5



6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4 10.Bd2 0-0



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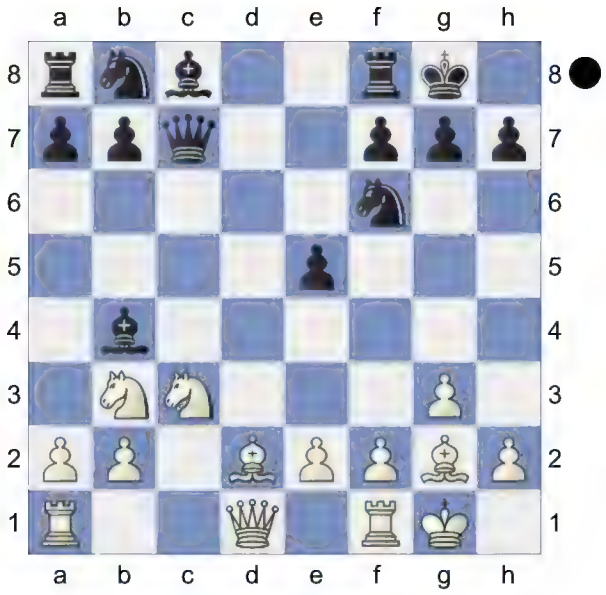

11...Nc6

[Oder 11...Rd8 12.Rc1 Nc6 13.Qc2 Be6 14.Bg5 Rac8 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.e3 Kg7 17.Rfd1 Na5 18.Nxa5 Bxa5 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.Qe2 a6 21.a3 b5 22.b4 Bb6 23.Qb2 Qd7 24.h4 Qe7 25.Ne4 Bc4 26.Nd2 Be6 27.Rc6 Qa7 28.Ne4 Rd3 29.Qe2 Rxa3 30.Rxe6 fxe6 31.Qg4+ Kf8 32.Qxe6 Bd8 33.Nc5 Ra1+ 34.Kh2 Qe7 35.Qg4 Qf7 36.Qc8 Rd1 37.Be4 Rd2 38.Kg2 Qa2 39.Qf5 Qf7 40.h5 Bb6 41.Qc8+ Kg7 42.h6+ Kxh6 43.Qxa6 Qa2 44.Qxb6 Rxf2+ 45.Kg1 Qe2 0-1 (45) Wang,Y (2718)-Mamedyarov,S (2747) Huaian 2016]

12.Rc1 Bf5 13.Qe1 Bxc3 Gegen e2-e4 gerichtet. **14.Bxc3 Be4 15.Bh3 Bd5**

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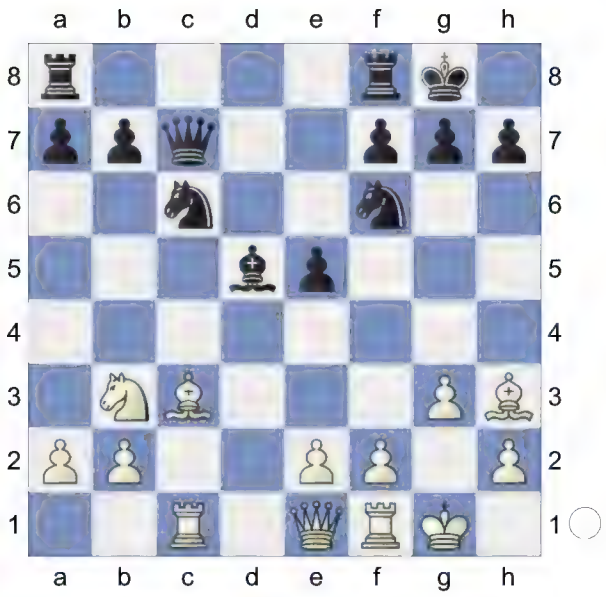
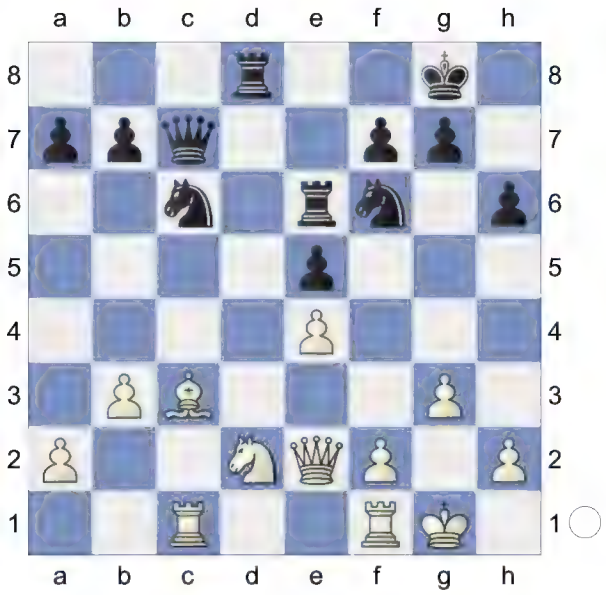


16.Nd2 Rfe8 17.b3 Rad8 18.e4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Qe2 h6



21.Nf3 Qb6 22.Rfe1 a6 23.Kg2 Qb5 24.Qxb5 axb5 25.Re2 Ra8

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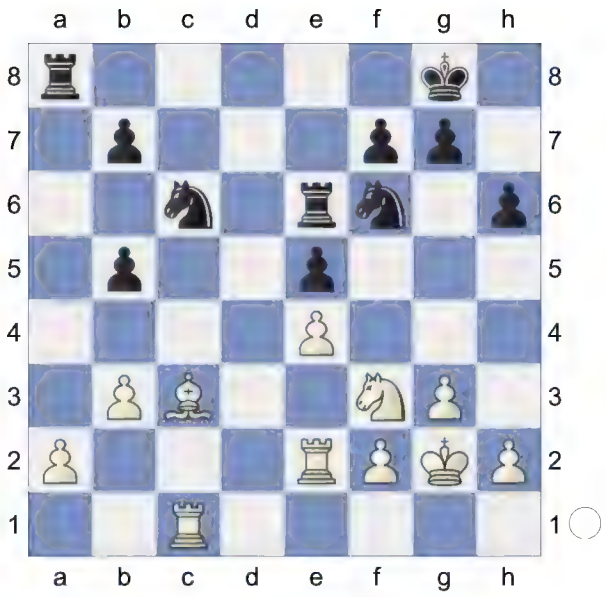

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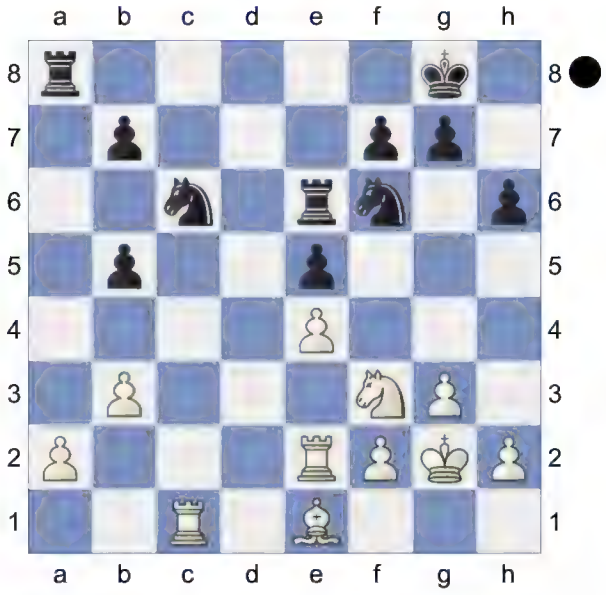
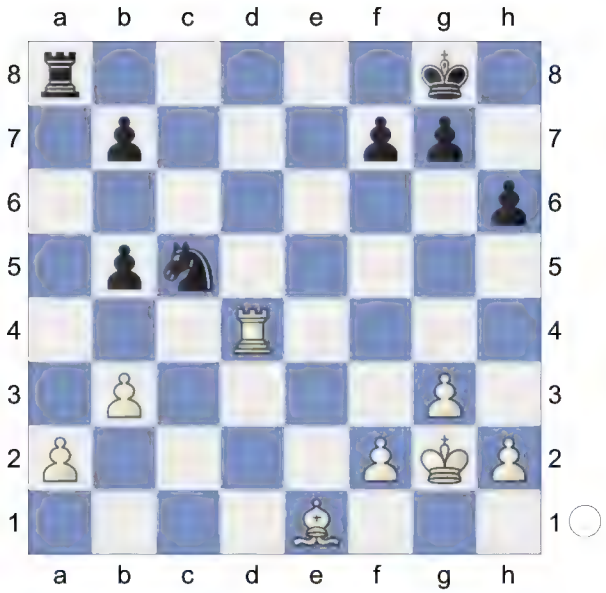


Bis hierhin war die Partie vor sich hin geplätschert, auch wenn Schwarz mit der Öffnung der a-Linie (auf Kosten der Struktur) etwas Aktivität an den Tag gelegt hatte. Jetzt führt der Nachziehende eine weitere Veränderung der Struktur herbei, die leicht nachteilig für ihn ist. **26...Nd4?! 27.Nxd4 exd4 28.Rd1**

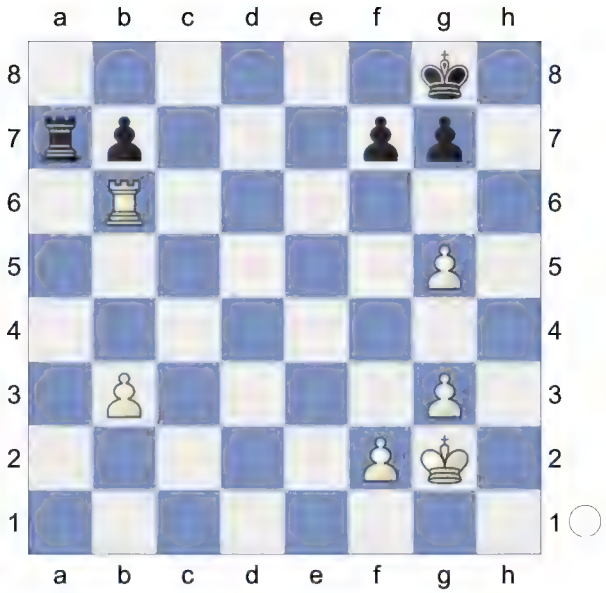
[28.f3! kam in Frage.]

28...Rxe4 29.Rxe4 Nxe4 30.Rxd4 Nc5 Diagramm



31.h4?
[31.Bb4! b6 32.Rd5±]
31...Ne6?!
[31...Rxa2! 32.Rd5 Nxb3 33.Rxb5 Nc1 34.Rxb7=]
32.Rd5 Rxa2 33.Rxb5 Ra7 34.Bd2 Nc7 35.Rb6 Nd5

36.Rd6 Schwarz hat sich zuletzt noch ein paar passive Züge geleistet - plötzlich ist der weiße Vorteil einen Bauern wert! **36...Nf6 37.Bxh6 Ra3 38.Bg5 Ne4 39.Rb6 Nxg5 40.hxg5 Ra7**



41.f4 Kf8 42.Kf3 Ke7 43.Ke4 Kd7
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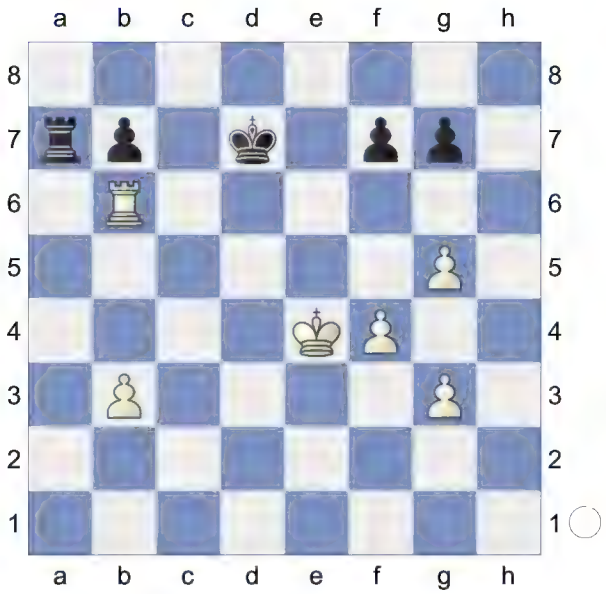

44.g6! Schafft die berühmte "zweite Schwäche". **44...f6 45.Rb4**

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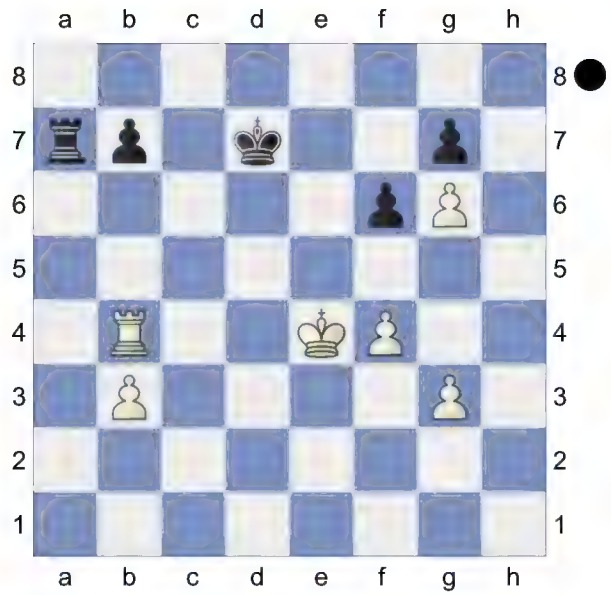

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78 **D06**
□ **Salem,A.R. Saleh** **2622**
■ **Madaminov,Mukhiddin** **2501**
Qatar Masters 2024 | Open A (8)
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**

[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1* D 06/01 2003*)* 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 0-1 Ferragut,A (2710)-Maung,M (2847) Jugoslavija 85/456 2002 (9.8) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 1-0 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Feb Early blitz 2023 (3)]

3...Nf6 4.e4N

[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 9 Chapter-Games Chapter 13 Game]

4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+

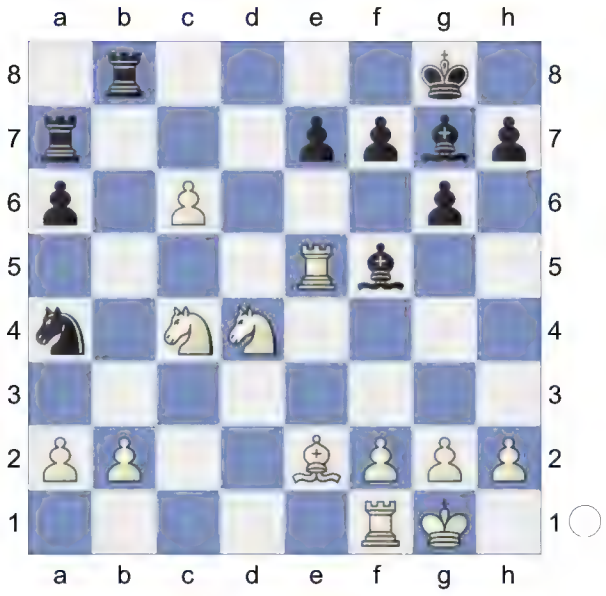
(Diagram)

6.Bd2! Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 8.Nxd2 Ngf3 is the strong threat. White is slightly better. **8...g6! 9.Rc1 Bh6 10.Bb5+ Nd7!**

11.c6! bxc6 12.dxc6 Nb6 13.Ngf3 0-0 14.0-0 a6 15.Be2 Bg4

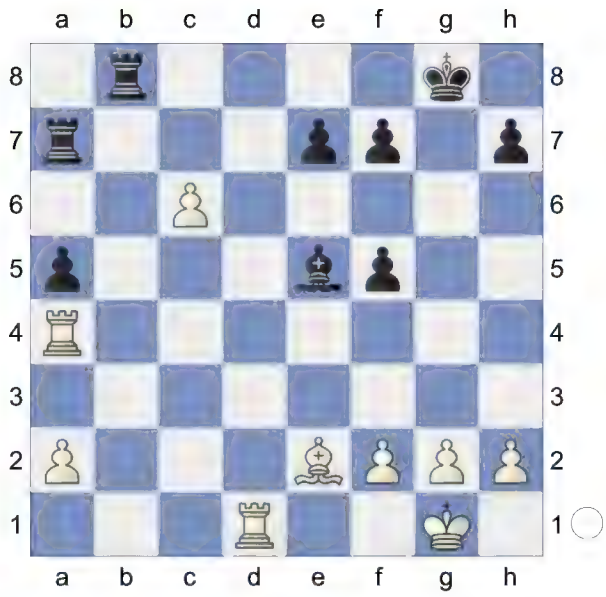
(Diagram)

White must now prevent ...Bxd2. **16.Rc2 Bf5 17.Rc5 Na4 18.Re5 Ra7 19.Nc4** Hoping for Ra5. **19...Rb8 20.Nd4 Bg7**



21.Ra5
[21.Rd5 Be4 *(21...Nxb2 22.Nxf5 gxf5 23.Nxb2+-)* 22.Ra5 Bxd4∓ *(22...Nxb2 23.Ne5=)*]
21...Bxd4 This pair of bishops is nice.
22.Rxa4 Bxb2 23.Ne3 a5 24.Nxf5 gxf5 25.Rd1↑ Black is under pressure.
25...Be5

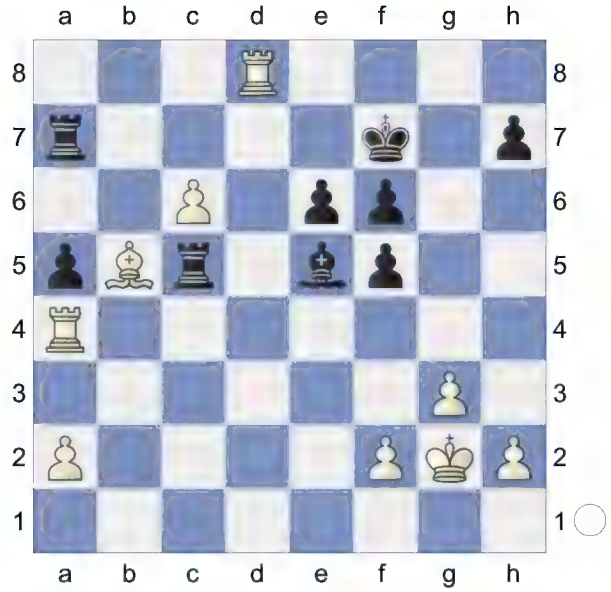
(Diagram)



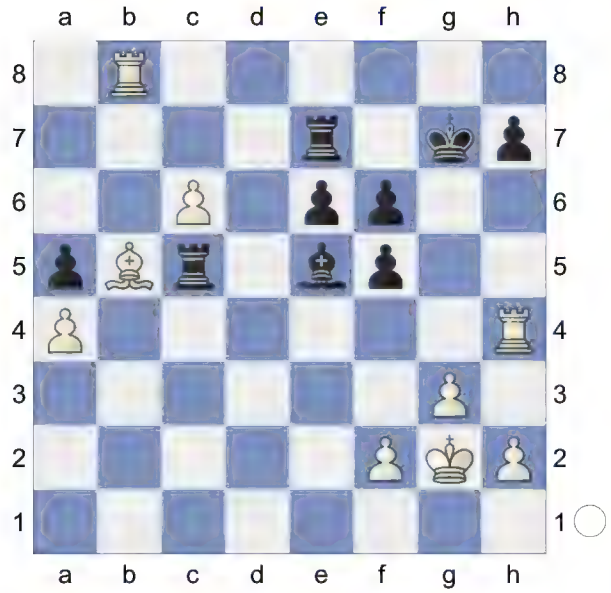
26.Rd5 Rb1+ 27.Bf1 f6 28.g3 Kf7 1.09/21
[28...Rc7!± 0.45/20]
29.Kg2 0.66/22
[29.Rc4± 1.09/21 aiming for Rxe5! Rb8 30.f4]
29...Rc1 1.14/21
[29...Rc7± 0.66/22 should be considered.]
30.Bb5±
[30.Raxa5 Rxa5 31.Rxa5 Rxc6±]
30...e6

31.Rd8 And now Rh4 would win.

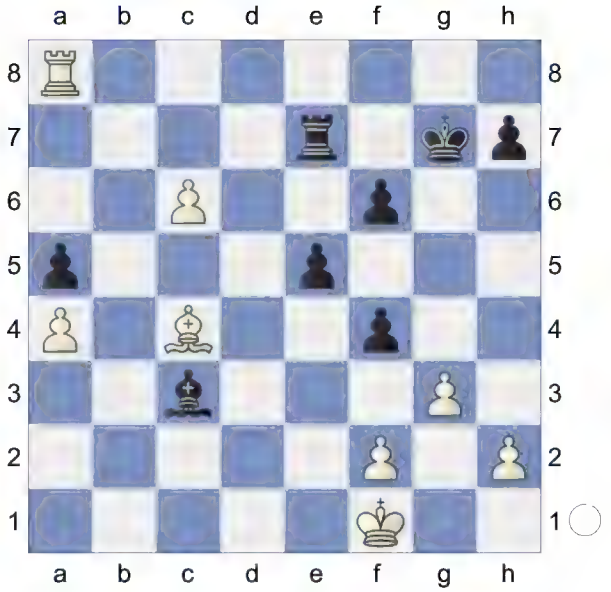
31...Rc5



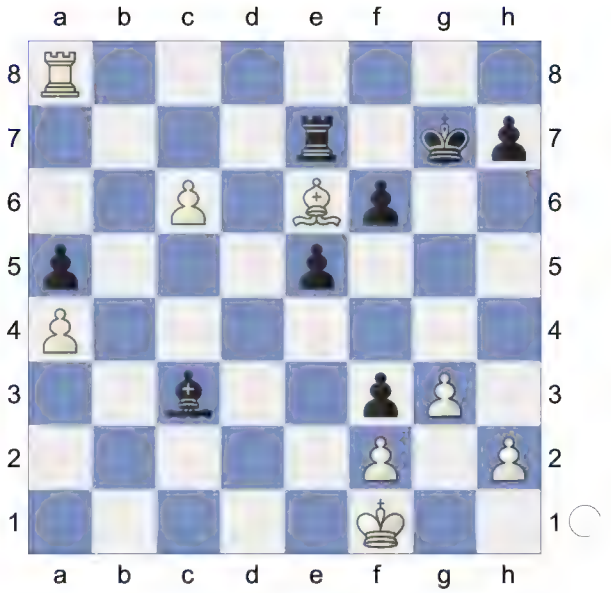
32.Rh4! **Kg7** **33.a4** **Re7** Repels Re8
34.Ra8 **Bc3** **35.Rb8** 0.93/21
White is much more active.
[⌓35.Rc4 1.41/25 Rxc4 36.Bxc4]
35...Be5



36.Ra8 **Bc3** 1.37/23
[⌓36...Rc7 0.85/25 37.Rd8
(37.Rxa5 R7xc6 38.Ra7+ Rc7±)
37...Rc2]
37.Kf1 **e5?** 2.89/21 Loses the game.
[37...Rc7± 1.20/22 38.Re8 e5]
38.Rc4+- **Rxc4** **39.Bxc4** Endgame.
KRB-KRB **39...f4**



40.Be6! Deflection, Promotion **40...f3**
[40...Rc7 41.Rg8+]



41.Rg8+ **Kh6** **42.Bf5**
[Don't play 42.Bd7 e4]
42...e4 **43.Rg4** **Re5** (→ ...Rd5)
44.Rh4+
[But not 44.Bxe4 f5 45.Rh4+ Kg6+-]
44...Kg5 **45.Bxe4** **Rc5** 5.26/19
[⌓45...f5 3.75/18 46.Bxf3 Re7]

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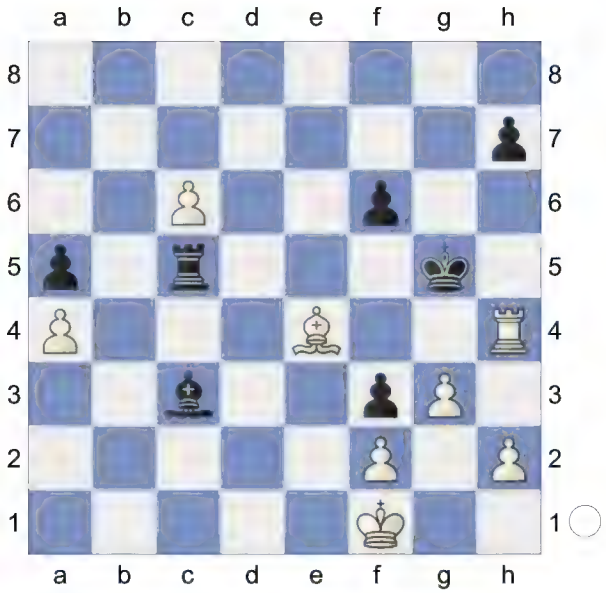
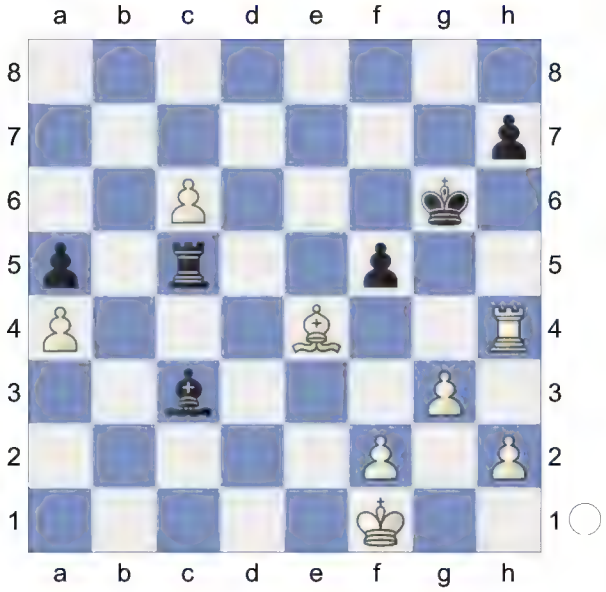


46.Bxf3 Rh5+ would now be deadly. White is clearly winning. **46...Kg6**
47.Be4+ Skewer **47...f5**



48.Bxf5+!

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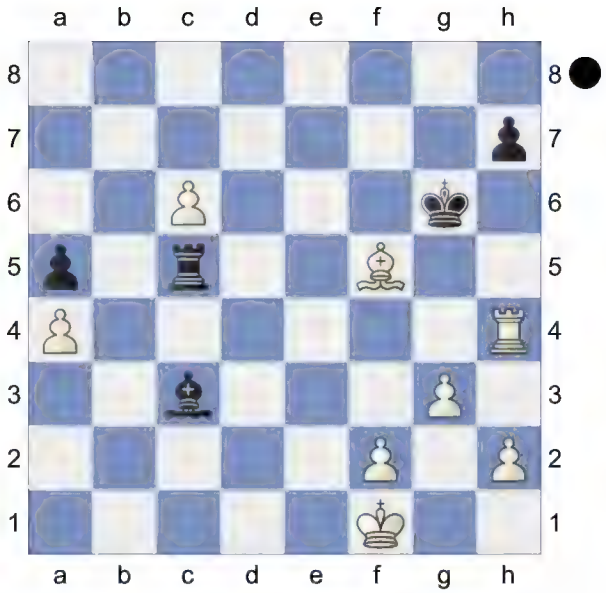

Promotion. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.22 (precise)
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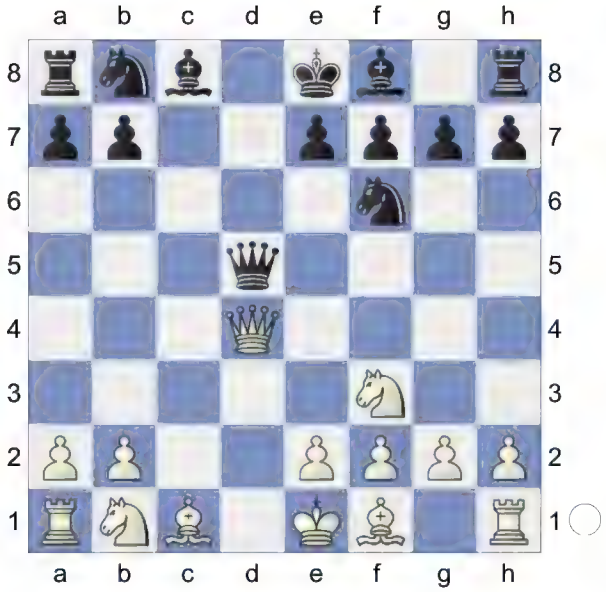
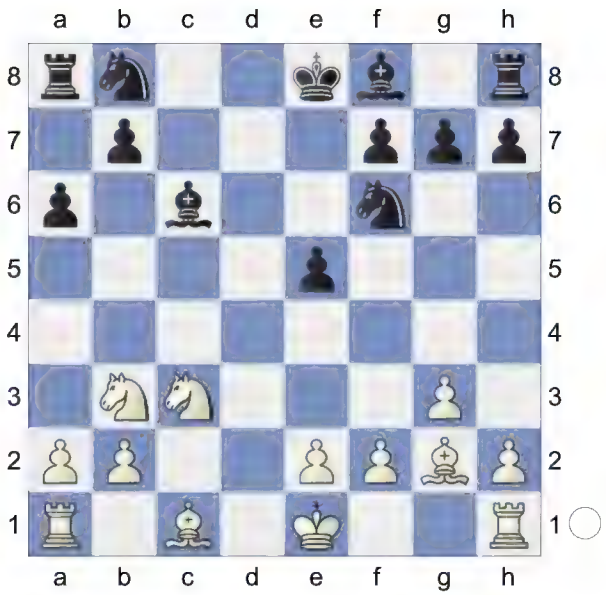
79 **D02**
□ **Warmerdam,Max** **2612**
■ **Piorun,Kacper** **2611**
Bundesliga 2022-23 (14.3) 29.04.2023
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Qxd5 5.Qxd4 Nf6**



6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nb3! Bd7! 9...Bd7 is better than 9... Nc6. 9...Ld7 ist besser als 9...Sc6. **10.Bg2 Bc6**

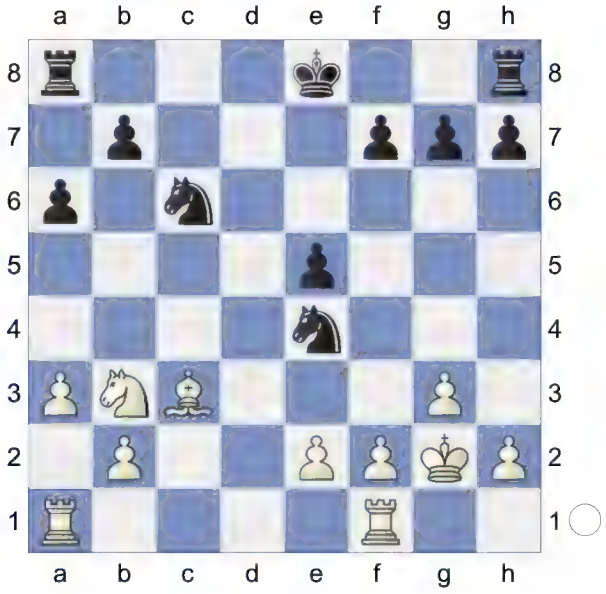
(Diagram)



11.0-0 Bxg2 White is slightly better. is the legacy move (11...Bb4). ist old school (11...Lb4). **12.Kxg2 Bb4 13.Bd2 Nc6 14.a3N**

[14.Rac1 0-0-0 15.Bg5 Kb8 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Ne4 f5 18.Nec5 Nd4 D 06/01 2003]

14...Bxc3 15.Bxc3 Ne4



16.Rac1 Ke7 17.Na5N

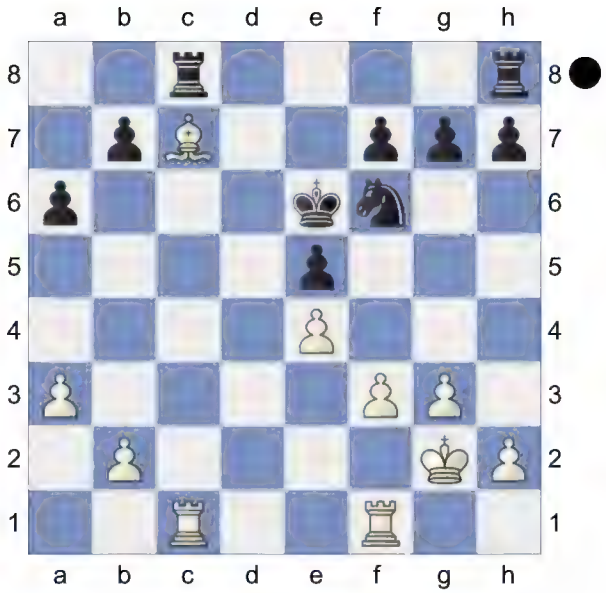
[Predecessor: 17.Ba5 Nf6 0.75/20 *(17...Nxa5= 0.29/22 18.Nxa5 Rhd8 19.Nxb7 Rd2)* 18.Bb6± Nd7 1.11/21 *(18...Rhc8±* 0.67/20 is superior. *)*

Against Nb3-c5 19.Bc5+!± Nxc5 20.Nxc5 Rhc8 1.19/22 (Black should play *20...Ra7±* 0.68/21) 21.Rfd1 and Rd1-d7+ would now be decisive Nd8 22.Rd7+ Ke8 And now ...b7-b6 would win . 23.Rd5 1-0 (42) Nandhidhaa,P (2312)-Batsiashvili,N (2466) Chennai 2022]

17...Nxa5 18.Bxa5 Rac8 19.Bc7 Ke6 20.f3 Nf6

21.e4

(Diagram)



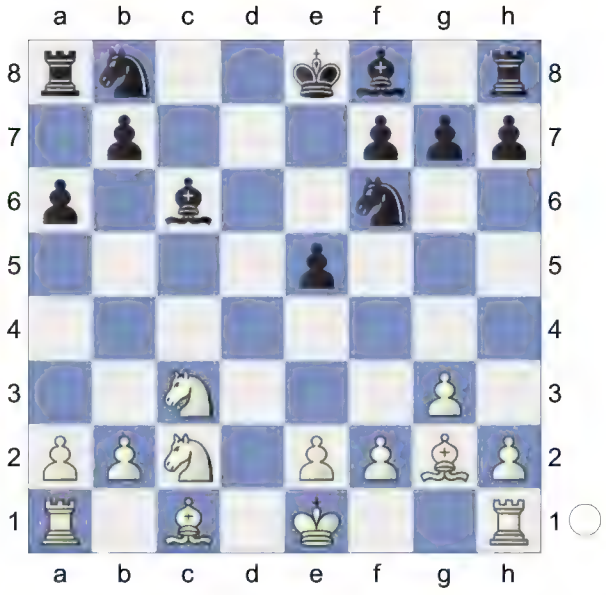
Against Nf6-d5. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

½-½

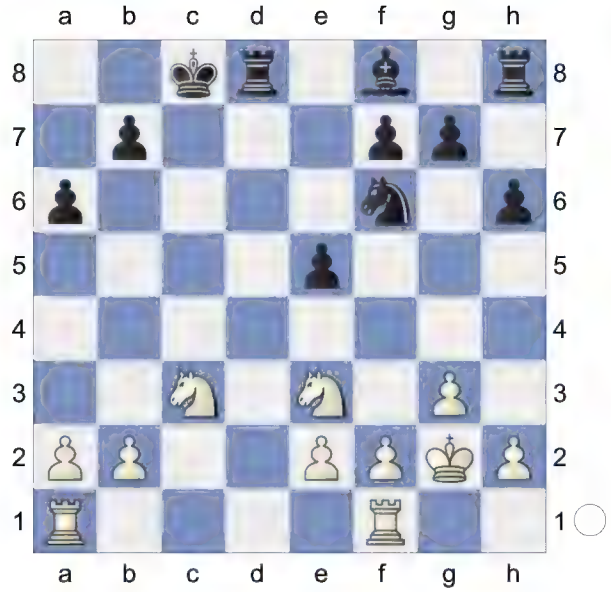
80 **D06**
□ **Dautov,Rustem** **2610**
■ **Zaitsev,Mikhail** **2457**
Herne Benefiz 3rd (7) 28.09.2003
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4N
[5.Nxd4 a6 *(5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3* Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) *Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5* Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68))
6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 Alekhine-4. ♘f3 de5 5. ♘e5 g6 Survey 1997 LEX-CD [ChessBase] (40) 20.Rfe1 Kf8 21.d6 Ne6 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.Ng5 Qb8 24.Nxe6+ Kf7 25.Ng5+ Kf8 26.Qd5 Rg7 27.Ne6+ Kg8 28.Nxg7+ Kxg7 29.dxe7 Nf6 30.Qxb5 Ra7 31.Re1 Qd6 32.e8Q Nxe8 33.Qxe8 Qxd2 34.Qe5+ Kf7 Chapter Part-Games Game 11 (40)]
5...Qxd5

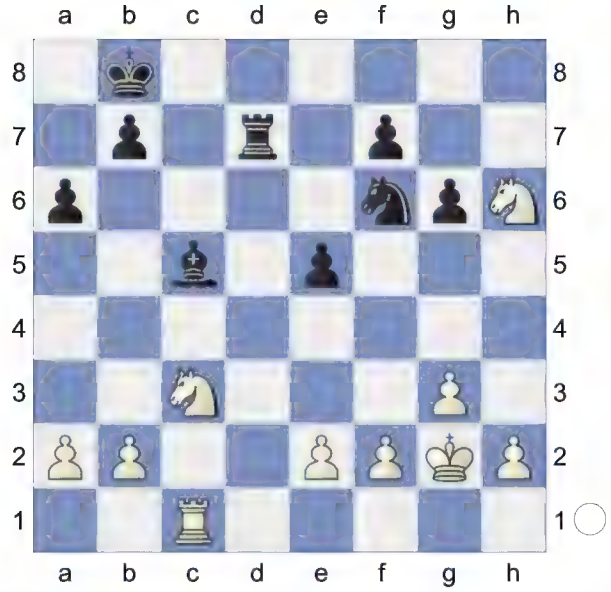
6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.g3 e5 9.Nc2 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6



11.0-0 White is slightly better. **11...Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Nbd7 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bxf6 Nxf6 15.Ne3 0-0-0** 0.64/19
[15...Bc5= 0.19/20]

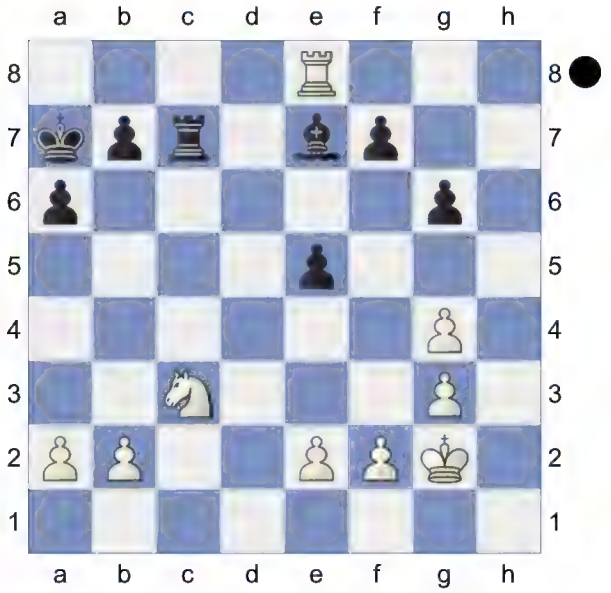


16.Rac1± Kb8 17.Rfd1 Bc5 18.Nf5! g6 1.34/22
[⌓18...Rxd1 0.87/21 19.Rxd1 g6]
19.Rxd8+± Rxd8 20.Nxh6 Rd7



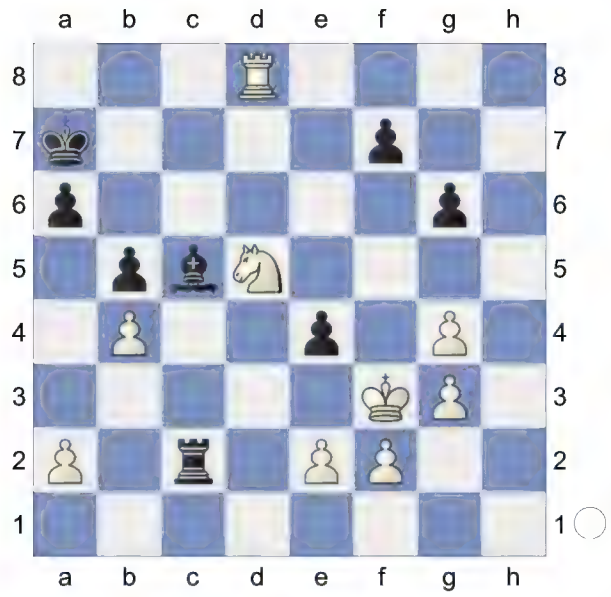
White must now prevent ...Bf8. **21.h3** 1.08/18
[Better is 21.Rd1 1.47/22]
21...Bf8 22.Ng4 Nxg4 23.hxg4
Endgame KRB-KRN **23...Ka7 24.Rd1**
Inhibits Rd2. **24...Rc7** 1.98/19
[24...Rxd1± 1.37/24 25.Nxd1 Kb8]
25.Rd8 Be7

26.Re8



Hoping for Nd5. **26...Bd6** 2.06/22
[26...Ba3± 1.53/22 is a better defense.]
27.Kf3 b5 28.Nd5 Rc2 2.81/22
[⌓28...Rc5 1.89/22]
29.Rd8+- Bc5 30.b4 e4+

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.20 (precise)

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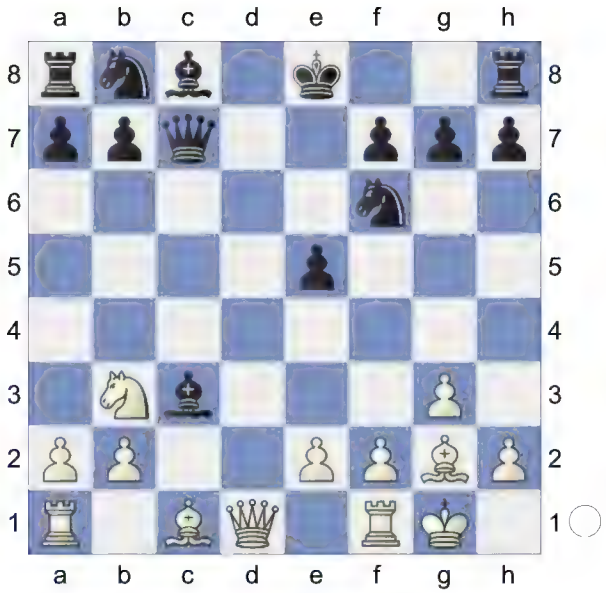
81 **D06**
□ **Hakobyan,Aram** **2608**
■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2738**
Titled Tue 16. May Early (10) 16.05.2023
[Kitty Kat]

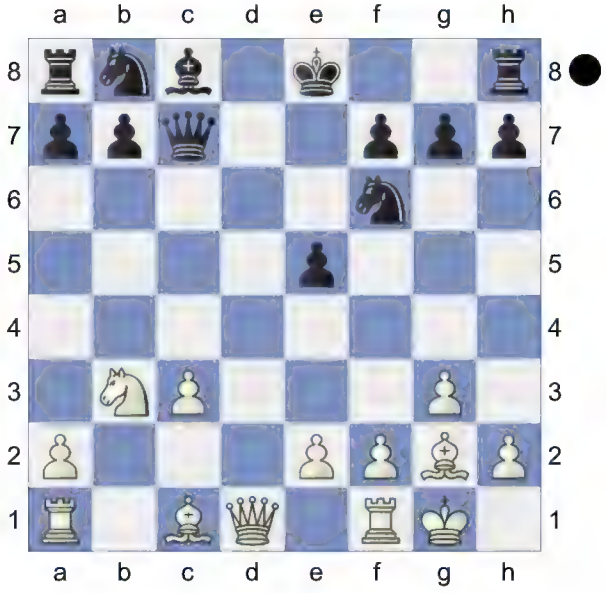
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences The next game and all the references within it are exclusively from 2016. This shows that 2...c5 can be considered a modern move, designed to ambush an unsuspecting opponent. **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Repels e2-e4 **7.g3 e5 8.Nb3** White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4 10.0-0 Bxc3**

(Diagram)



11.bxc3



0-0! 12.Bg5 Rd8N Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

[12...Nbd7 13.c4 *(13.Qc1 h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.c4 Bd7 16.Na5 Na4 17.Nxb7 Bc6 18.Bxc6 Qxc6 19.Na5 Qa6 20.Bd2 Rfc8 21.Qa3 Nc5 22.Qe3 Ng4 23.Qf3 Qe6 24.Bb4 Rab8 25.a3 Nf6 26.Kg2 Nce4 27.h4 Nd6* 0-1 Brunello,S (2587)-Naiditsch,A (2702) 13th EICC Plovdiv BUL 2012 (11.29) *28.c5 Nf5 29.e3 e4 30.Qe2 Nd7 31.Rfd1 Nxc5 32.Rac1 Nd3*

33.Rxc8+ Rxc8 34.Rxd3 exd3 35.Qxd3 Ne7 36.e4 Ng6 37.h5 Ne5 38.Qe2 Rc1 0-1 Brunello,S-Piorun,K 58: Gjakova 2016*)* 13...h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.c5 Nc4 16.Qc1 Be6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxh6 Nh7 19.f4 Ne3 20.Be4 Bf5 21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Qh5 Nd4 23.Qxe5 Qxe5 24.fxe5 Nc6 25.Rab1 Rad8 26.Nc1 Rd7 27.Nd3 4 Chapter-Game Chapter 20 Game]

13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.c4N 0.28/19

[Predecessor: 14.h3 0.00/21 14.Rf1-d1 0.58 Rb8 15.Rfd1 h6 16.Be3 b6 17.a4 Bb7 18.Bxb7 Qxb7 19.a5 Nd5 ...Nd5xe3 is the strong threat. 20.Bd2 0-1 Arkell,K (2381)-Mamedyarov,S (2770) Titled Tuesday intern op 23rd Mar blitz 2021 (2)]

[14.Rfd1± 0.66/21]

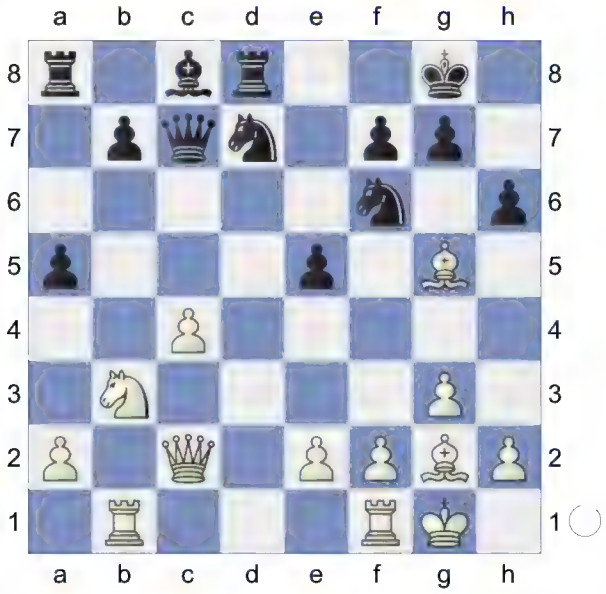
14...a5 0.72/20

[14...Rb8= 0.28/19 deserves consideration.]

15.Rab1 0.16/20

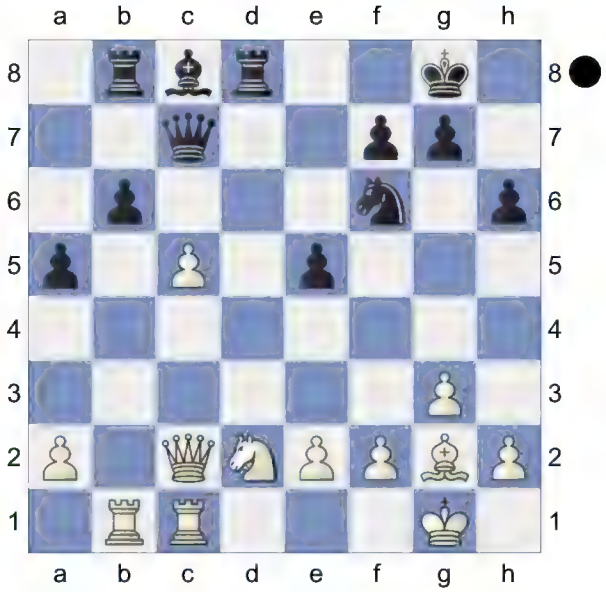
[15.Rfd1± 0.72/20]

15...h6=



16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6

19.c5



bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8

21.Nb3 a4 22.Nxc5 a3 23.h3

[23.Rb1!? Qd6 24.h3∓]

23...Qb5 24.e3 e4 25.Nxe4 Qc2-c7 is the strong threat.

[25.Bxe4 Bxh3 26.Rb1 Qe8∓]

25...Nxe4

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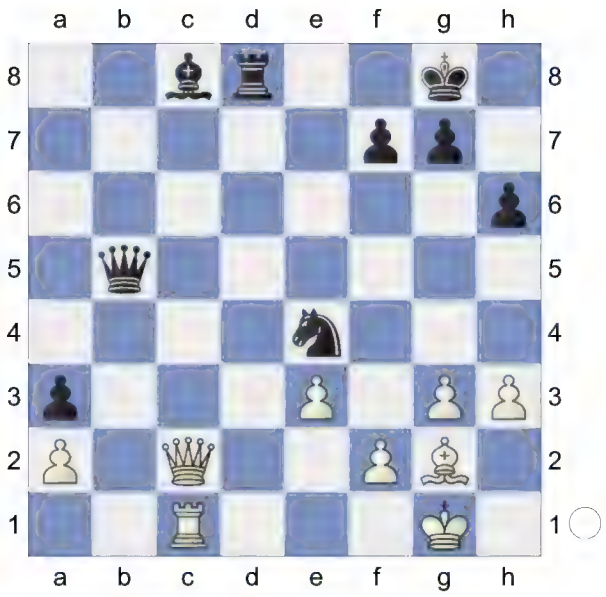
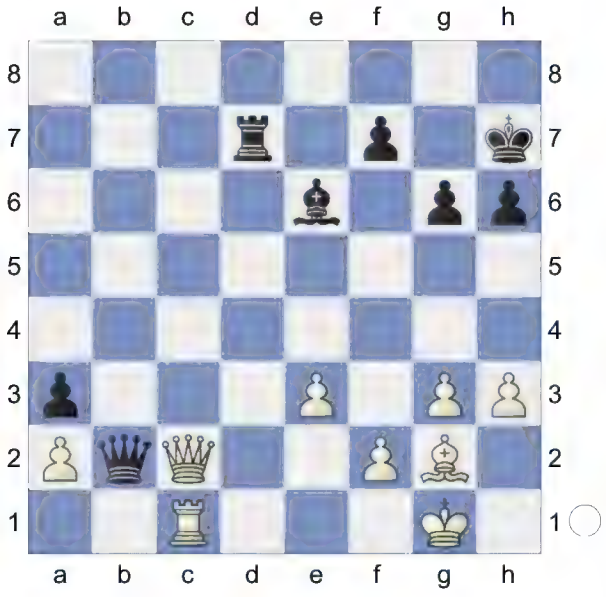
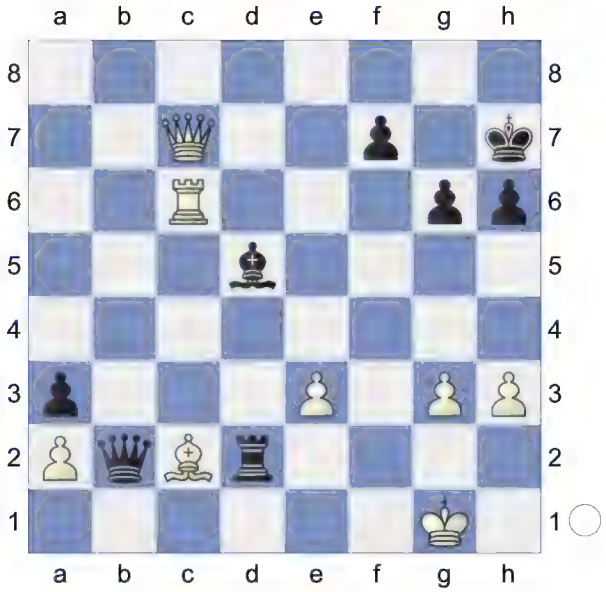


26.Qxe4 -0.88/25
[26.Bxe4= 0.01/23 Bxh3 27.Rd1 Rxd1+ 28.Qxd1]
26...Be6∓ 27.Qc2 -1.95/24 This move loses the game for White.
[27.Kh2!∓ -0.50/23]
27...Qb2-+ Black has strong compensation. **28.Qc7** -3.05/23
[28.Be4 -1.90/22 was called for.]
28...Rd7
[28...Rc8 29.Qxc8+ Bxc8 30.Rxc8+ Kh7 31.Bd5=]
29.Qc8+ Kh7 30.Qc2+ g6



31.Be4 Rd2
[Less strong is 31...Bxh3 32.Rb1 Qe5 33.Rb4∓]
[31...Qxa2 32.Qxa2 Bxa2 33.Ra1∓]
32.Qc7 -5.42/23
[32.Qxb2 -2.88/22 axb2 33.Re1]
32...Rxf2
[32...Bxh3? perishes. 33.Qxf7+ Qg7 34.Bxg6+ Kh8 35.Qe8+ Qg8 36.Qe5+ Qg7 37.Qb8+ Qg8 38.Qb4+- *(38.Qe5+ Qg7+-)*]
33.Rc6 Rd2 34.Bc2 Prevents Rd2-d1+.
34...Bd5 -24.86/26
[⌓34...Qc1+ -#2/6 35.Bd1 Qxd1#]



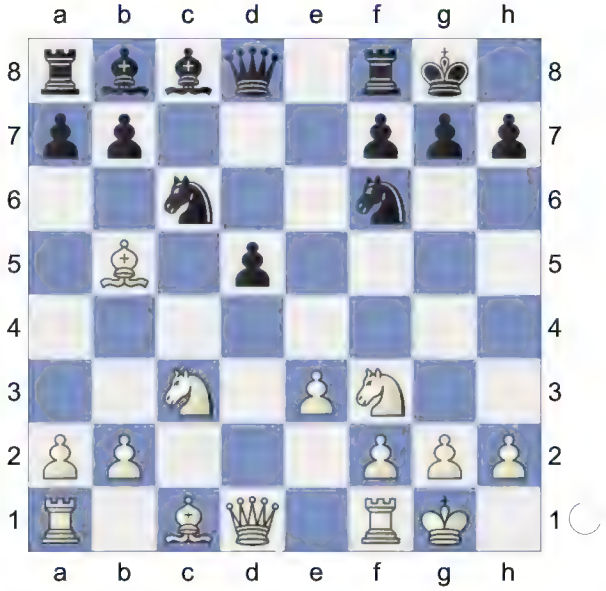
Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/ Black=0.36
0-1

82 **D32**
□ **FianuioAspas12** **2603**
■ **dmitrijiiiGM** **2870**
Blitz 21.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min
D32: Tarrasch Defence: Sidelines and lines without g3 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nc3 e6 4.cxd5 cxd4 5.Qxd4 Nc6**

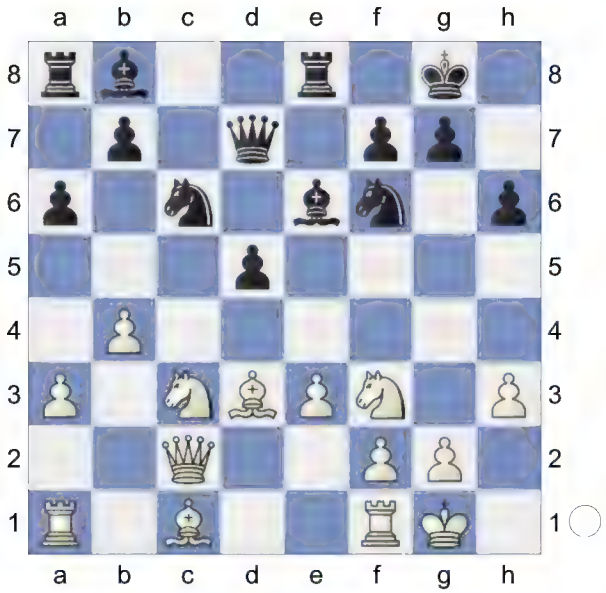
6.Qd1 exd5 7.e3 Nf6 8.Nf3 Bd6
[8...Bb4 9.Bd2 *(9.Be2 Ne4 10.Qc2 Qf6 11.Bd2 Bf5 12.Qb3 Nxd2 13.Nxd2 0-0 14.0-0 d4 15.exd4 Qxd4 16.Nf3 Qc5 17.Rac1 Be6 18.Qa4 Qa5 19.Qxa5 Bxa5 20.a3 Rad8 21.Bb5 Nd4 22.Nxd4 Rxd4 23.Rfd1 Rfd8* 10.♕e1_7420 (2089)-Riofrio,M (2413) Heraklion 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson] 0-1 (53)*)* 9...0-0 10.a3 Ba5 11.Be2 d4 12.exd4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Qxd4 14.Nb5 Bxd2+ 15.Qxd2 Qb6 16.0-0 Rd8 17.Qf4 Be6 18.Nc7 Nd5 19.Nxd5 Rxd5 20.Bf3 Rd4 21.Qe5 Rad8 22.b4 h6 23.Rac1 Veronesi,P (2436)-10.a4 ♘bd7 11.Bf4 (2413) Moscow 2023 1873 Vienna [John Watson] 1-0 (48)]

9.Bb5N
[9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 a6 11.b3 Re8 12.Bb2 Bc7 13.Qd3 Qd6 14.Rfd1 d4 15.Nb1 Bg4 16.Nbd2 dxe3 17.fxe3 Qxd3 18.Bxd3 Nd5 19.h3 Bh5 20.e4 Nf4 21.Bf1 Rad8 22.Bc3 b5 23.b4 Nd3 4.d3 Bc5 5.Nc3-N,N ChessPub Guide 2009 CBM 139 Extra [Brentano's Chess Monthly, October 1881] 24.a4 Bg3 4.d3 Bc5 5. Nc3-Guilleux,F ICCF 2017 CBM 093 Extra [Brentano's Chess Monthly, October 1881]]
9...0-0 Black has an edge. **10.0-0 Bb8**

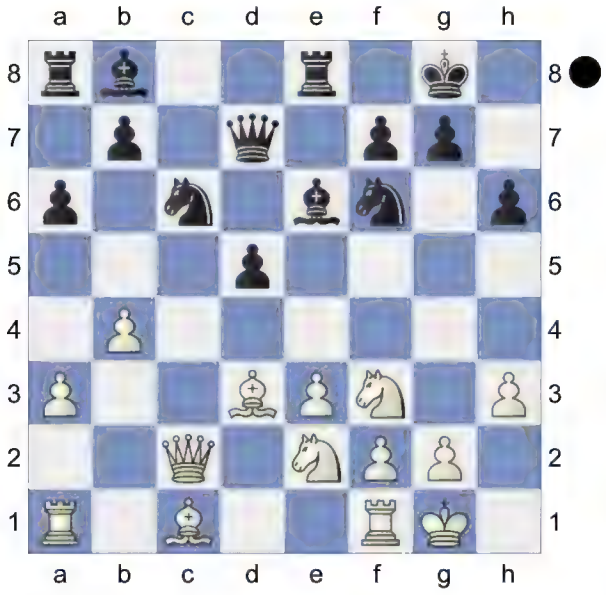


11.h3 Re8 12.Bd3 a6 13.a3 h6 14.Qc2 Be6 15.b4 -0.90/20
[15.Bf5∓ -0.35/20]
15...Qd7∓

(Diagram)



16.Ne2



Bxh3! 17.gxh3 Qxh3 18.Ng3 Ng4 -0.50/23

[Don't do 18...Bxg3 19.fxg3 Qxg3+ 20.Qg2 Qxg2+ 21.Kxg2±]

[Black should try 18...Ne4!∓ -1.11/23 19.Ra2 *(19.Bxe4? dxe4 20.Nd4 Nxd4-+)* 19...Re6]

19.Bh7+∓ Kh8 20.Bf5 Nce5

[Much less strong is 20...Bxg3 21.Bxg4 Qxg4 22.fxg3±]

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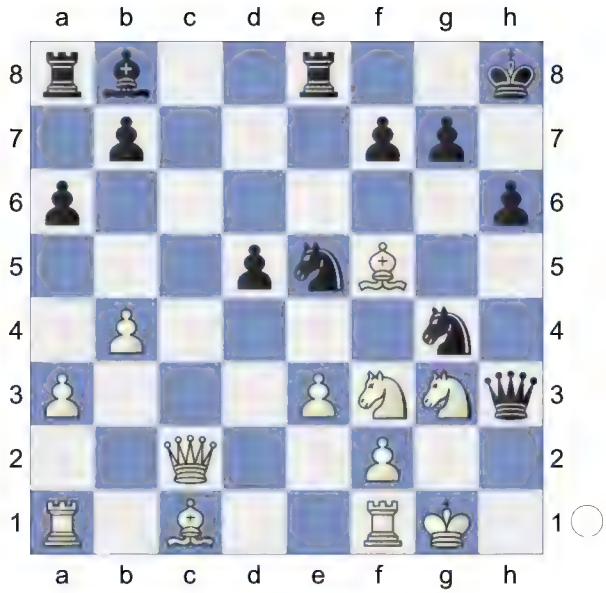


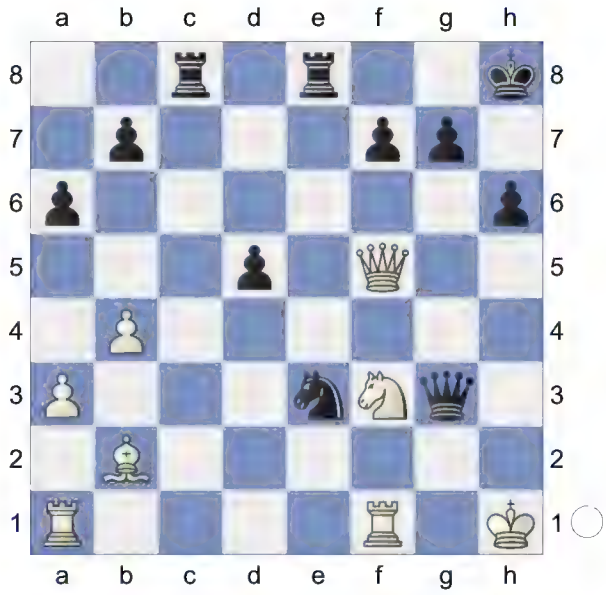
&Nero is more active. **21.Bxg4 Nxg4→** Black mounts an attack. **22.Bb2** -3.92/24 Loses the game.

[22.Rd1∓ -0.64/21]

22...Bxg3-+ 23.fxg3 Rac8 Chess con chili. **24.Qf5** -10.01/23

[24.Qg2 -3.95/23 Qxg2+ 25.Kxg2 Rc2+ 26.Kh3 Nf2+ 27.Kg2 Nd3+ 28.Kg1 Rxb2 29.Ne1]

24...Qxg3+ 25.Kh1 Nxe3



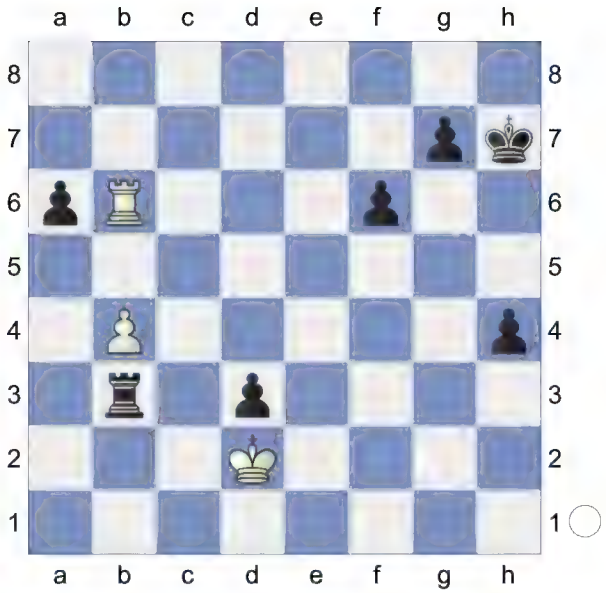
26.Rg1 Prevents Qg2+. **26...Nxf5 27.Rxg3 Nxg3+ 28.Kh2 Rc2+ 29.Kxg3 Rxb2** Endgame KRR-KRN

30.Rc1 Re3

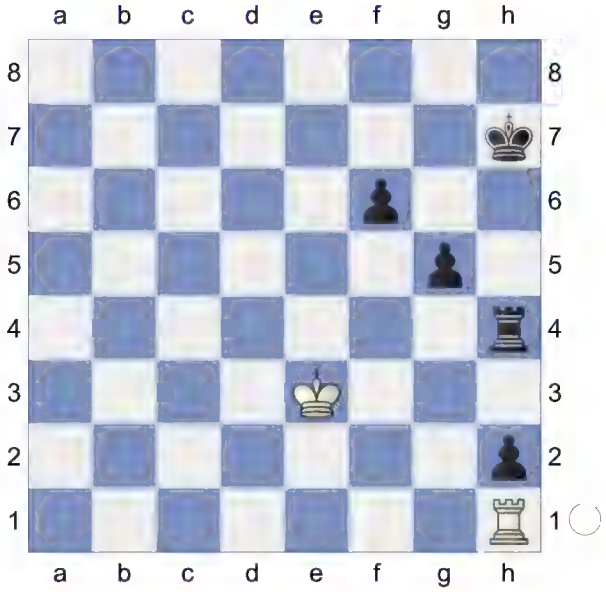
31.Kf4 Rxf3+ 32.Kxf3 KR-KR **32...Rb3+ 33.Kf4 Rxa3 34.Rc7 f6 35.Rxb7 Kh7**

36.Kf5 Rb3 37.Rb6 d4 38.Ke4 d3 39.Ke3 h5 40.Kd2 h4

(Diagram)

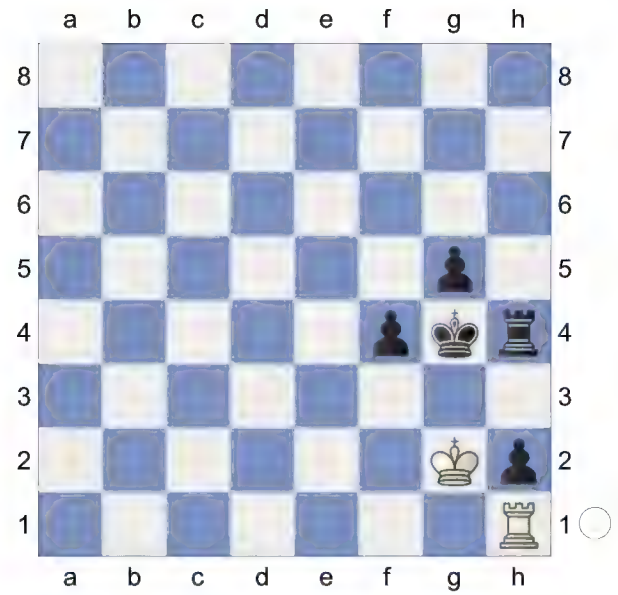


41.Rxa6 Rxb4 42.Kxd3 h3 Hoping for ...h2. **43.Ra1 h2 44.Rh1 Rh4** And now ...f5 would win. **45.Ke3 g5**

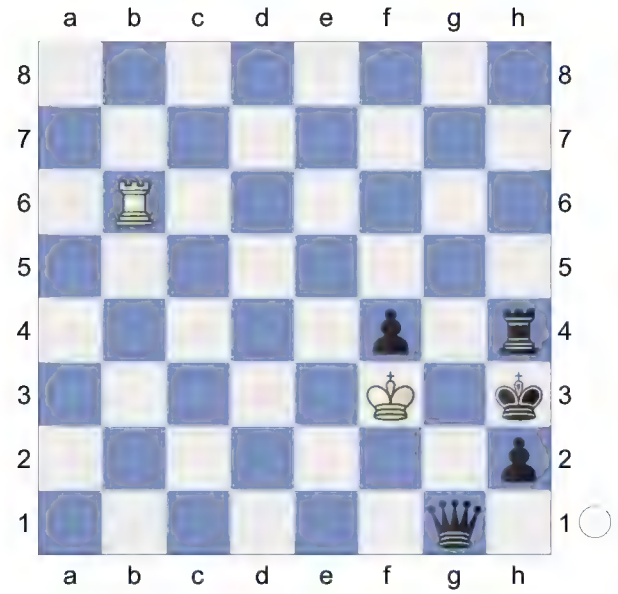


46.Kf3 Kg6 White must now prevent ... f5. **47.Kg3 f5** Strongly threatening ... f4+. **48.Kg2 f4** (→ ...g4) **49.Kf3 Kf5** ...g4+ is the strong threat. **50.Kg2 Kg4**

(Diagram)



51.Kf2 Kh3 -22.28/17
[⌓51...f3 -#11/19 52.Ke3 Kg3 53.Kd3 Kg2 54.Rd1 h1Q 55.Rxh1 Kxh1 56.Ke3 Kg2 57.Kd2 f2 58.Kd3 f1Q+ 59.Kc3 Rc4+ 60.Kb3 Qd3+ 61.Kb2 Qc2+ 62.Ka3 Ra4#]
52.Ra1 g4 Black mates. **53.Rb1 g3+ 54.Kf3 g2 55.Rb6 g1Q**



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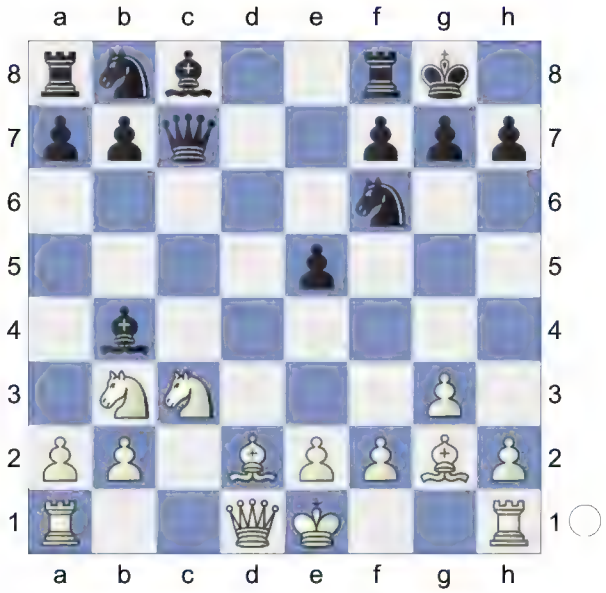
83 **D06**
□ **Jones,Samuel** **2600**
■ **Volokitin,Andrei** **2356**
ch-High Pool, Marseilles FRA (4.2)
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Against e4 **7.g3N**
[7.Nb3 Qh5 *(7...Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
7...e5 8.Nb3 White is slightly better.
8...Qc7 9.Bg2 Against Qc6 **9...Bb4 10.Bd2 0-0**



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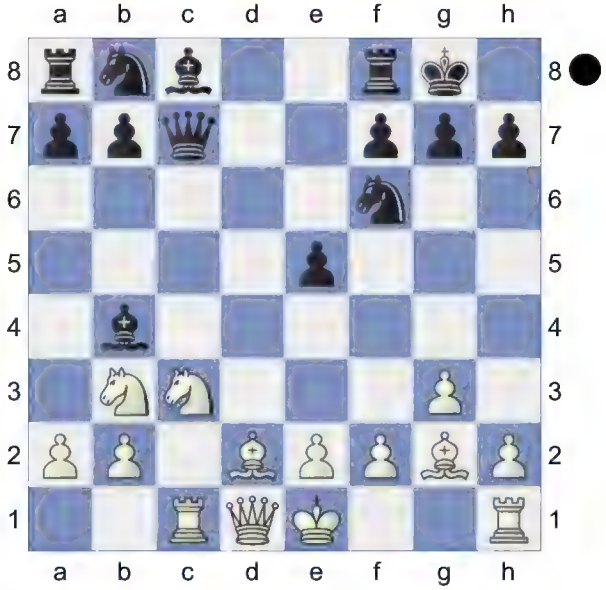
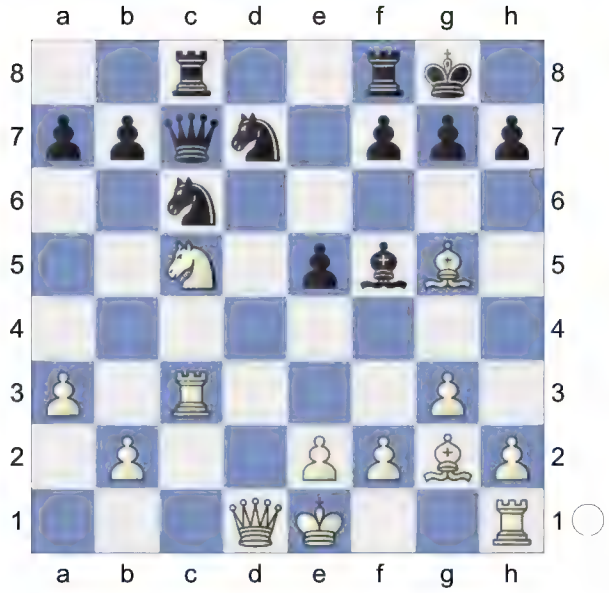


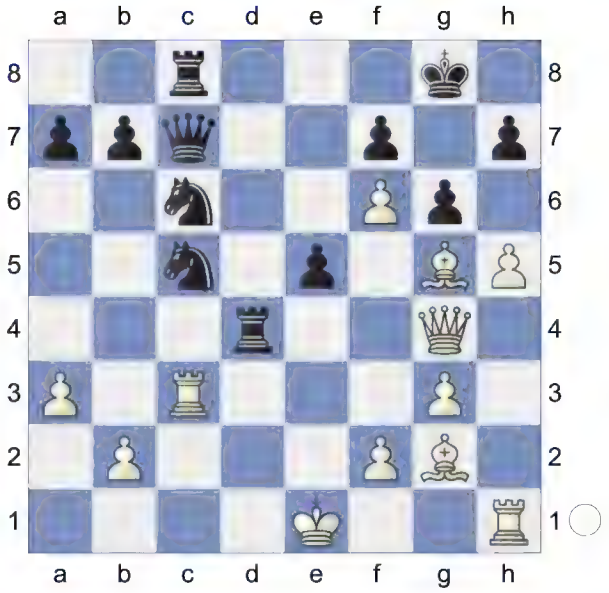
And now Nd5 would win. **11...Nc6 12.a3**
[12.Qc2 feels hotter. a5 13.Na4 Bg4 14.a3]
12...Bxc3 13.Rxc3 Bf5 14.Nc5 Rac8

15.Bg5 Nd7 0.55/20
[Black should try 15...b6= -0.16/18 16.Na6 Qd7]

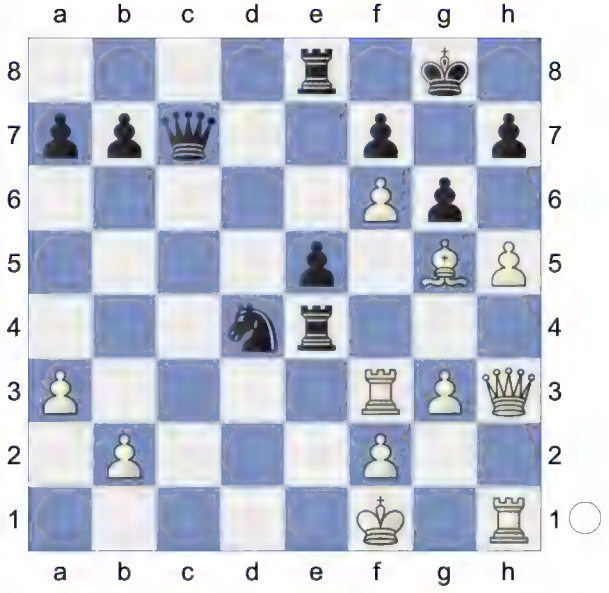


16.e4± Nxc5 17.exf5
[Much worse is 17.Rxc5?! Be6=]
17...Nd7 18.f6 Threatens to win with fxg7. **18...g6 19.h4 Rfd8 20.h5** 0.27/20 0x0.0020d340462fdp-1022s more active pieces.
[20.0-0± 0.69/18]
20...Nc5? 3.22/22

21.Qg4? 1.13/22
[21.Bd5+- 3.22/22 and White stays clearly on top. Ne6 22.hxg6 Rxd5 23.Qxd5 Nxg5 24.Rh5]
21...Rd4 2.08/19



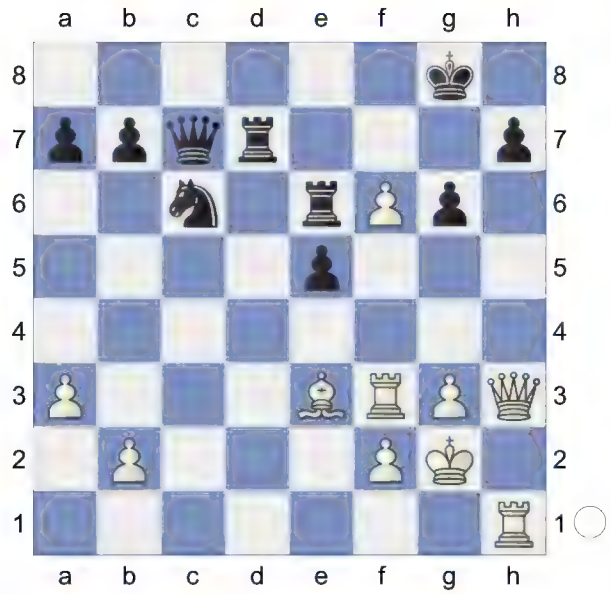
22.Qh3!+- Ne4 23.Bxe4 Rxe4+ 24.Kf1 White threatens hxg6 and mate.
24...Re8 25.Rf3? -0.01/21
[25.Be3+- 2.26/22]
25...Nd4!=



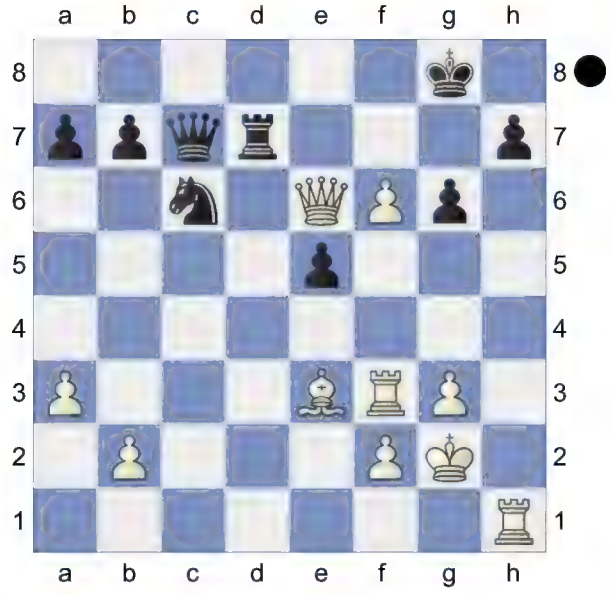
26.Rc3 hxg6 would kill now. **26...Nc6 27.Kg2 Rd4 28.Rf3→** Hoping for hxg6. White is out for blood. **28...Rd7 29.Be3 Re6?** 15.60/22

[29...b5± 1.15/20]

30.hxg6+- fxg6



31.Qxe6+



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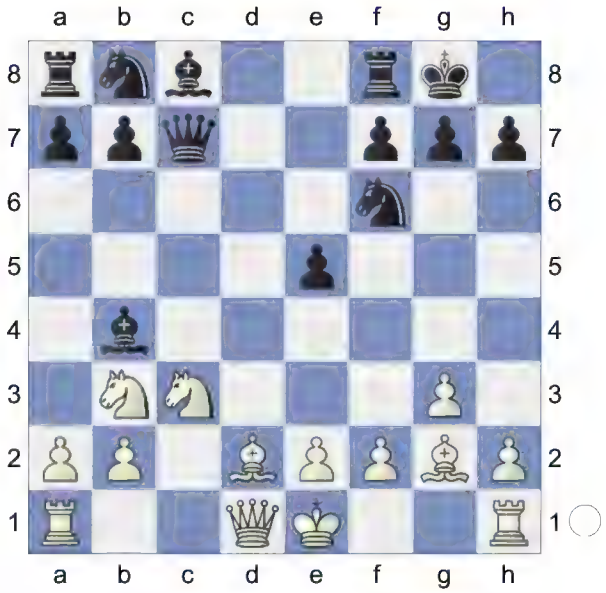
84 **D06**
□ **Istratescu,Andrei** **2600**
■ **Stephan,Victor** **2356**
Sautron FRA (4.2) 22.10.2016
[Kitty Kat]

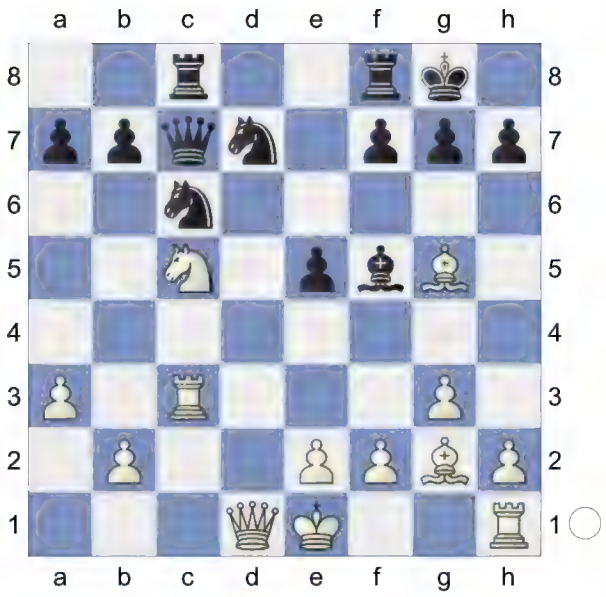
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 Prevents e4. **7.g3N**
[7.Nb3 Qh5 *(7...Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5 Rc8 21.h3 Na5 22.Bb5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)*)* 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3 Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68) 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 fxg5 36.e5+ Kd7 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
7...e5 8.Nb3 White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bg2** Inhibits Qc6. **9...Bb4 10.Bd2 0-0**

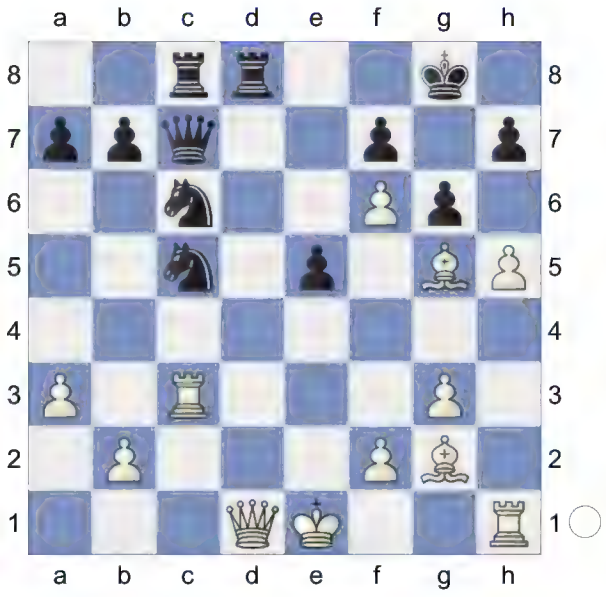


11.Rc1 Strongly threatening Nd5. **11...Nc6! 12.a3 Bxc3 13.Rxc3 Bf5** Inhibits Qc2. **14.Nc5 Rac8 15.Bg5 Nd7** 0.64/22
[15...b6= -0.22/18 16.Na6 Qd7]

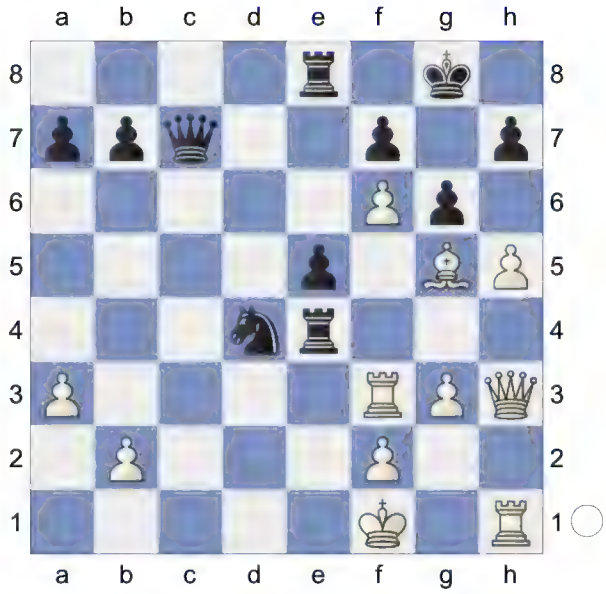
(Diagram)



16.e4!± Nxc5 17.exf5
[Much weaker is 17.Rxc5?! Be6=]
17...Nd7 1.18/20
[17...Qb6!± 0.61/20]
18.f6 0.78/22
[⌓18.0-0 1.18/20]
18...g6± 19.h4 Rfd8 20.h5 0.21/20 &Bianco is much more active.
[20.0-0± 0.68/20]
20...Nc5? 3.10/21



21.Qg4? 1.12/22
[21.Bd5+- 3.10/21 and White stays clearly on top. Ne6 22.hxg6 Rxd5 23.Qxd5 Nxg5 24.Rh5]
21...Rd4 2.23/20 **22.Qh3!+-** hxg6 is the strong threat. **22...Ne4 23.Bxe4 Rxe4+ 24.Kf1 Re8 25.Rf3?** 0.01/20
[25.Be3+- 2.55/22]
25...Nd4!=



26.Rc3 White threatens hxg6 and mate.
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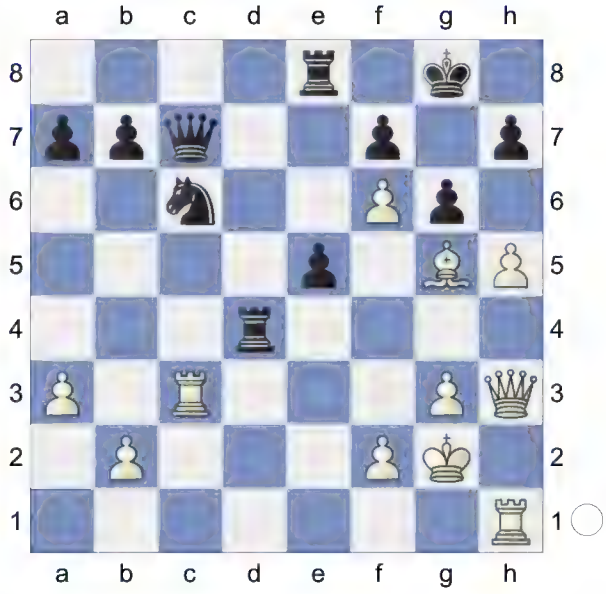


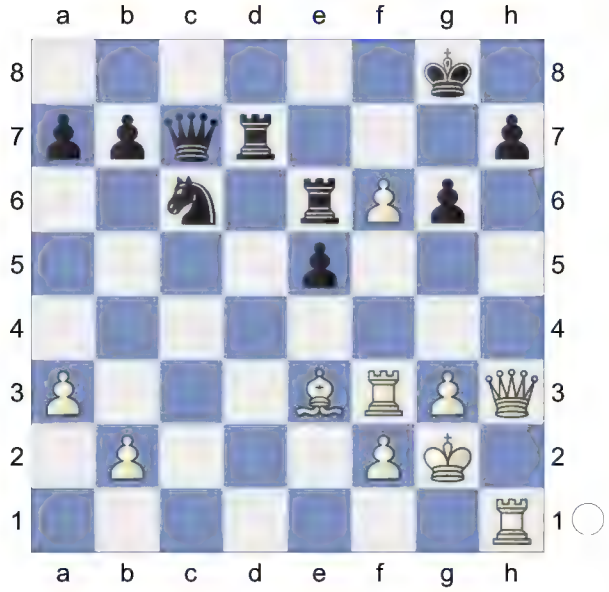
28.Rf3!→ aiming for hxg6. Black is in trouble. **28...Rd7 29.Be3** 1.47/20
[White should try 29.hxg6+- 1.92/21 fxg6
(Diagram)

30.Qxd7!! Qxd7 31.f7+ Qxf7 32.Rxf7 Kxf7 33.Rxh7+ Ke6 34.Rxb7]

29...Re6? 14.25/23

[29...b6± 1.47/20]

30.hxg6+- fxg6



31.Qxe6+

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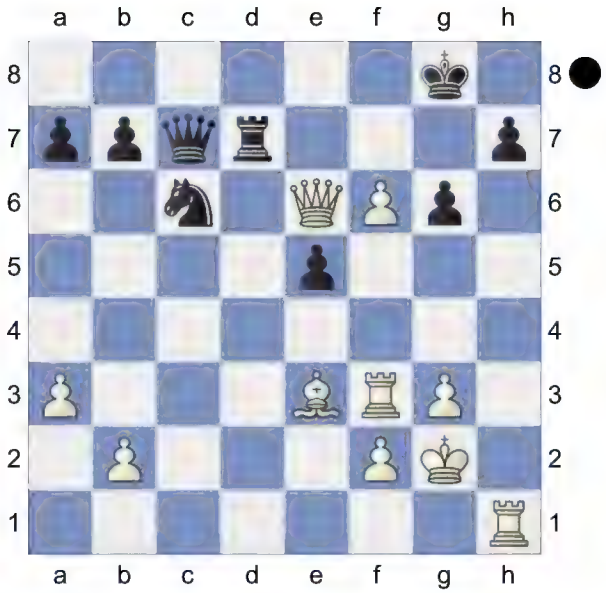

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85 **D06**
□ **Dautov,Rustem** **2598**
■ **Schaefer,Markus** **2406**
GER CupT sf2 13.03.1999
[Dautov,Rustem]

Kitty Kat: 'D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences ' **1.d4** Kitty Kat Dautov Dautov **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4**
[5.Nxd4]
[5.Qa4+ Qd7 6.Qxd4 Qxd5]
5...Qxd5

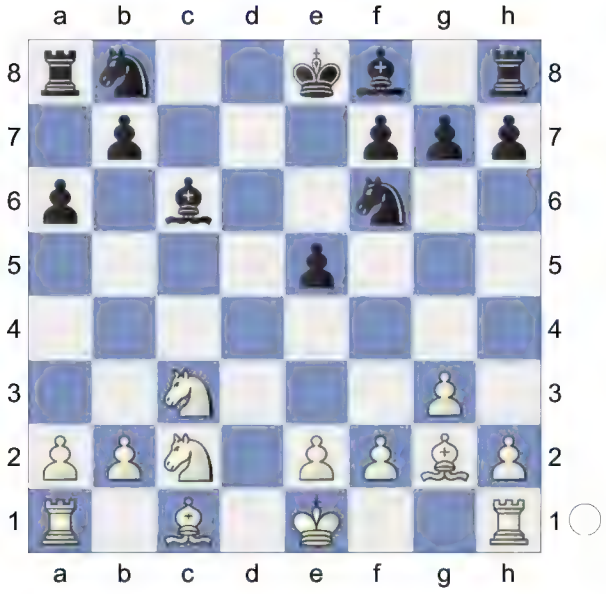
6.Nc3 Qxd4
[6...Qa5 7.b4 e5 8.Qc4 Bxb4 *(8...Qd8 9.Ng5)* 9.Qxc8+ Ke7 10.Qxh8 Bxc3+ 11.Bd2 Ne4 12.Rd1 Nc6 13.Qxa8 Qb6 14.e3 Nxd2 15.Nxd2 Bxd2+ 16.Rxd2 Qb1+ 17.Ke2 Qb5+ 18.Kf3 e4+ 19.Kg4 Qb4 *(19...h5+ 20.Kh4)* 20.Be2 Ne5+ 21.Kg3 Qxd2 22.Rd1 Qxe2 23.Qd8+ Ke6 24.Rd6+ Kf5 25.Qc8+ Kg5 26.h4+]
7.Nxd4 a6
[7...Bd7 8.Ndb5 Kd8 *(8...Na6 9.Bf4)* 9.Be3 Nc6 10.h3]
8.g3 e5
[8...Bd7 9.Bg2 e5!? Ein unklares Figurenopfer. 10.Nb3 Bc6 11.0-0 Bb4 *(11...Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Bb4 13.Na4 Nbd7 14.a3 Be7 15.Be3 Nd5 16.Bd2 b5 17.Nc3 N5b6 18.Na5 Rc8 19.Rfc1 0-0 20.a4 Bb4 21.axb5 axb5 22.Ne4 Bxd2 23.Nxd2 f5 24.Nc6 Kf7 25.Na7 Rxc1 26.Rxc1 b4 27.Rc7 Ke6 28.Nc4 Nxc4 29.Rxc4 b3 30.Rc3 Rb8 31.Nc6 Rb5 32.Na7 Ra5 33.Nc6 Rc5 34.Rxc5 Nxc5 35.Kf3 Nb7 36.Ke3 g5 37.Kd3 Nc5+ 38.Kc4 Ne4 39.f3 Nd2+ 40.Kc3 Nf1 41.Kxb3 Nxh2 42.Kc4 Nf1 43.b4 Nxg3 44.b5)* 12.Bd2 Bxg2 13.Kxg2∞ Nc6? 14.a3± -siehe die Partie. *(14.Rac1 0-0-0 15.Bg5 Kb8 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Ne4 f5 18.Nec5 Nd4 19.Nxd4 Rxd4 20.Nb3 Rd5 21.Rfd1 Rhd8 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.e3 a5 24.Rc2 a4 25.Nc1 b5 26.h3; 14.Rfd1 0-0-0 15.a3 Bxc3 16.Bxc3 Ne4 17.Be1 b6 18.f3)* 14...Bxc3?! 15.Bxc3 0-0-0 16.Rac1 Kb8 17.Rfd1 *(17.Na5 Nxa5 18.Bxa5 Rd5 19.Bc7+ Ka8 20.Rc2 Rc8=* Eng,H-Velikov,P/Hamburg 1984 *21.Rfc1!? Nd7 22.e4 Rd4 23.Kf3 Rd3+ 24.Ke2 Rb3 25.Rd2= Nb8!? 26.Kd1 f6 27.Ba5 Nc6 28.Bc3 Rc7 29.Kc2 Rb5 30.Kb1 Rc5 31.Rcd1 b6 32.Rd6 Kb7 33.f3 a5 34.R1d3 Na7 35.Rd7 Nb5=* Milov,V-Khenkin,I/Strasbourg FRA 1999 *36.Rxc7+!? Kxc7 37.Bd2= Rc4 38.Be3 a4 39.Bd2 Nd4 40.Bc3 Ne2 41.Kc2 Rc5 42.Kd2 Nxc3 43.Rxc3 Kc6 44.Rd3 Rc4 45.Rd8 Kc5 46.Rd5+ Kc6 47.Rd8 Kc5 48.Rd5+ Kc6)* 17...Ne4 18.Be1 Rxd1 19.Rxd1]
9.Nc2 0.01/17

[9.Nb3!± 0.50/20 (Kitty Kat) might be stronger.]

9...Bd7! 0.51/19 Der beste Weg zum Ausgleich. Schwarz plant e6-e5, wonach der Anziehende wegen der Drohung e5-e4 keine Zeit zum Zwischenschlagen c4xd5 haben wird.

[Black should try 9...Nc6= 0.01/17 Kitty Kat]

10.Bg2N Kitty Kat: '±' **10...Bc6?**



Es ist schon erstaunlich, daß dieser natürliche Zug Schwarz zu großen Schwierigkeiten führt. **11.0-0!** Kitty Kat: 'White is slightly better.' Dieser wichtige Zwischentausch schwächt den Punkt d5.

[11.e4= Nbd7! hieß die richtige Lösung. 12.0-0 0-0-0 13.Rd1 Be7 14.Ne3 Nb6! 15.Ned5 Bxd5= Es entstand eine Stellung mit gegenseitigen Chancen. Weiß sollte vorsichtig sein, falsch wäre z.B. 16.exd5? Bb4 17.Bd2 Rhe8 18.Ne4 Bxd2∓ 19.Nxf6? gxf6 20.Rxd2 Rd6 21.Be4 h6 22.Kg2 Kb8± 23.Rc1 Rc8 24.Rxc8+ Nxc8 25.g4 Rb6 26.b3 Nd6=]

11...Bxg2 12.Kxg2± Dautov: '-siehe die Partie.' **12...Nbd7 13.Bg5** Kitty Kat: 'N' Nun ist dieser Zug möglich geworden.

[13.Rd1 Kitty Kat Rc8 14.Ne3 Bc5 15.Nf5 g6 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.Rxd6 Ke7 18.Rd1 Ke6 19.Bg5 Rc4 20.Rd2 Rd4 21.Rad1 Rxd2 22.Rxd2 Rc8 23.Kf3 Ne8 24.e4 f6 25.Be3 Nd6 26.Nd5 Rc4 27.b3 Rc6 ½-½ 6.♗c4 ♘b6 7.♗b3 d5 8.ed-Varga, C Dragons ChessPub Guide 2020 (2)]

13...h6

[13...Bc5 14.Rfd1 Rc8 15.Rd2± Schwarz hat eine schlechte Figur-sein ♗c8 ist sehr passiv, und die Befreiung durch e6-e5 ist unmöglich. nicht h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6]

14.Bxf6 Nxf6 Guter Rat war schon teuer, Schwarz opfert zwei Bauern und versucht einen verzweifelten Angriff.

15.Ne3 0-0-0

[15...Bc5 16.Nc4± Bd4?! war sehr verlockend, der weiße König verliert das Rochaderecht. 17.Rac1 Ke7 18.e3 Bxc3 19.Rxc3!]

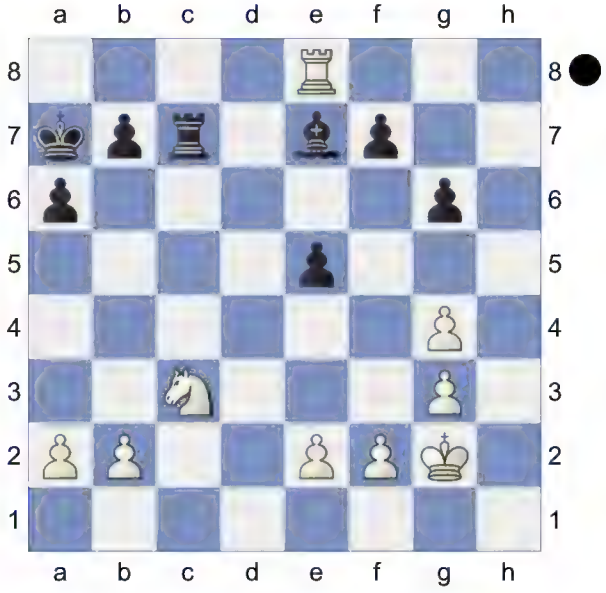
16.Rac1 Kb8 17.Rfd1+- Der Rest ist einfach. **17...Bc5 18.Nf5**

[18.Ned5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bd4]
18...g6 2.05/24
[18...Rxd1+- 0.93/20 Kitty Kat: '±' 19.Rxd1 *(19.Nxd1 Bf8* Kitty Kat: '=') 19...g6 20.Nd6 Rf8+- 21.Na4 Ba7 22.e3 Kc7 23.Nc3 Kc6±]
19.Rxd8+ Kitty Kat: '+-' **19...Rxd8 20.Nxh6 Rd7** Kitty Kat: '

and ...Bc5-f8 should not be overlooked'
21.h3 1.06/20
[Better is 21.Rd1+- 1.90/22 (Kitty Kat) Strongly threatening Rd1xd7. Bd4 22.e3 Bxc3 23.Rxd7 Nxd7 24.bxc3]
21...Bf8 Kitty Kat: ' ±' **22.Ng4 Nxg4 23.hxg4** Kitty Kat: 'Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up.' **23...Ka7 24.Rd1** Kitty Kat: ' Prevents Rd7-d2.' **24...Rc7** 2.54/21
[24...Rxd1± 1.40/24 Kitty Kat 25.Nxd1 Bg7]
25.Rd8 Be7

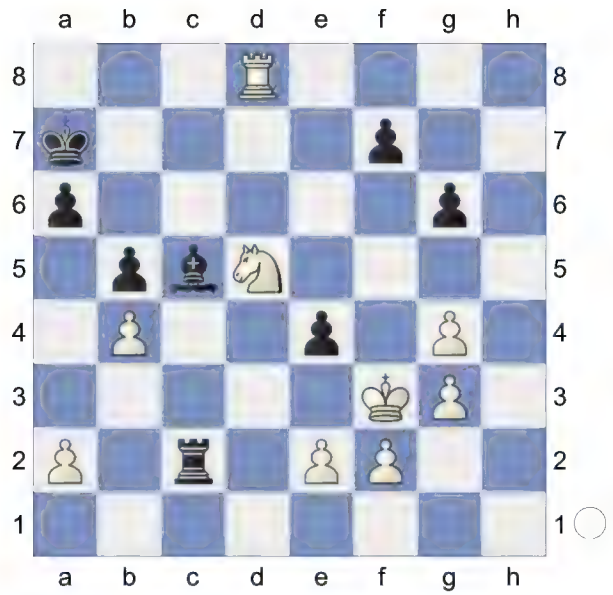
(Diagram)

26.Re8 Kitty Kat: '



' **26...Bd6** 2.34/23
[26...Ba3 1.84/22 (Kitty Kat) is a better defense.]
27.Kf3 b5 28.Nd5 Rc2 3.77/21 **29.Rd8** Kitty Kat: '+-' **29...Bc5 30.b4 e4+**

(Diagram)



Kitty Kat: ' Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.34 '

1-0

86 **D06**
□ **Brunello,Sabino** **2587**
■ **Naiditsch,Arkadij** **2702**
13th EICC Plovdiv BUL (11.29) 31.03.12
[John Emms]

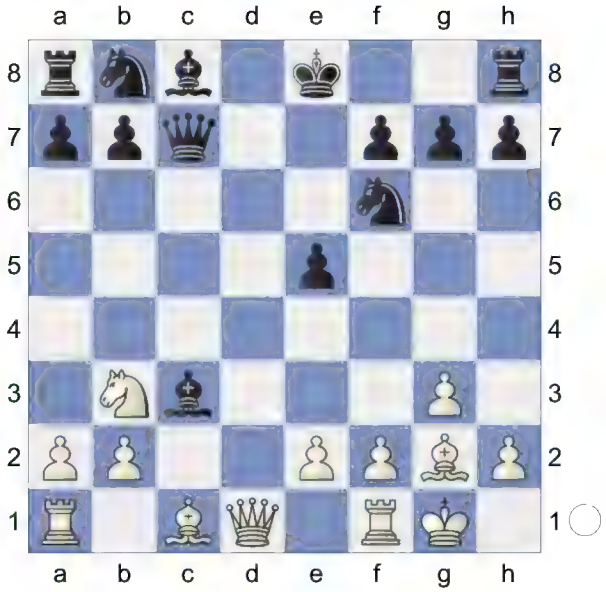
Kitty Kat: 'D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences ' **1.d4** Kitty Kat **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**
[3.dxc5 Nf6 4.cxd5 Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5 6.Bd2 *(6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 e5 8.Nf3 f6 9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bc4 Bxc5)* 6...e5 7.Nc3 *(7.b4 a5 8.bxa5 Bxc5 9.e3 Nb4)* 7...Be6 *(7...Nxc3 8.Bxc3 Nc6 9.b4 a5 10.bxa5 f6)* 8.Rc1 Nxc3 9.Bxc3 f6]
3...Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5

6.Nxd4 Nf6!? This is a rare but tricky move-order, which has both positive and negative features. On the plus side, it prevents some options for White. On the other hand, there are some lines where Black - because of his repertoire - might want to avoid an early ...a6. **7.g3**
[7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 *(9...g6)* 10.0-0 a6 11.Be3 Bd6 *(11...Bb4)* 12.f4 e5 13.f5 0-0 14.Rc1 *(14.Bg5 Be7 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Qd3 Nb4 18.Nxb4 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qxb4)* 14...Qd8 15.g4 h6 16.h4 Nh7 17.Kg2 Be7 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 19.Bb6 Bxh4 20.Bxd8 Bxd8 21.Bc4 Nf6 22.Kf3 Bb6 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.exd5 Nd4+ 25.Nxd4 Bxd4 26.Bb3 Kf8 27.d6 Bd7 28.Rc7 Rd8 29.Rfc1 Bc6+ 30.Ke2 e4 31.Rxf7+ Ke8 32.Re7+ Kf8 33.Rf7+ Ke8 34.Rd1 Bb5+ 35.Ke1 Bf6 36.Kf2 Bd3 37.Rxf6 gxf6 38.Rh1 Rxd6 39.Rxh6 Bb5 40.Ke3 Bc6 41.Bc2]
7...e5 8.Nb3 Kitty Kat: 'White is slightly better.' **8...Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4 10.0-0**
[10.Bd2 0-0 11.0-0 and now Nc6! 12.Rc1 Bf5 equalises. 13.Qe1 *(13.Bg5 Rfd8 14.Qe1 Qb6 15.Bxf6 gxf6)* 13...Bxc3!± P.Nikolic-J.Cobb, Eupen 1997 14.Bxc3!? Be4!? 15.Bh3 Bd5 16.Nd2 Previously the usual move was Rfe8 , to prevent Na5. This still looks like a good option, although White can more or less force a repetition of moves, which might be one reason why Naiditsch, the higher-rated player, avoided it. 17.b3 Rad8 18.e4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Qe2 h6 21.Nf3 Qb6 22.Rfe1 a6 23.Kg2 Qb5 24.Qxb5 axb5 25.Re2 Ra8= P.Nikolic-T.Gharamian, German League 2010. 26.Be1 is the repetition Nd4 *(26...Ne8 27.Rc5 b4 28.Rb5 Nd6 29.Rb6 Ra6)* 27.Nxd4! is the tactical justification behind Black's last move: exd4 28.Rd1 regains the piece Rxe4 is an alternative, although at some point White needs to address the problem of developing his queenside. 29.Rxe4 Nxe4 30.Rxd4! Nc5 31.h4 *(31.Rd5 Ne6 32.Rxb5 Rxa2 33.Rxb7 Nc5 34.Rb8+)* 31...Ne6

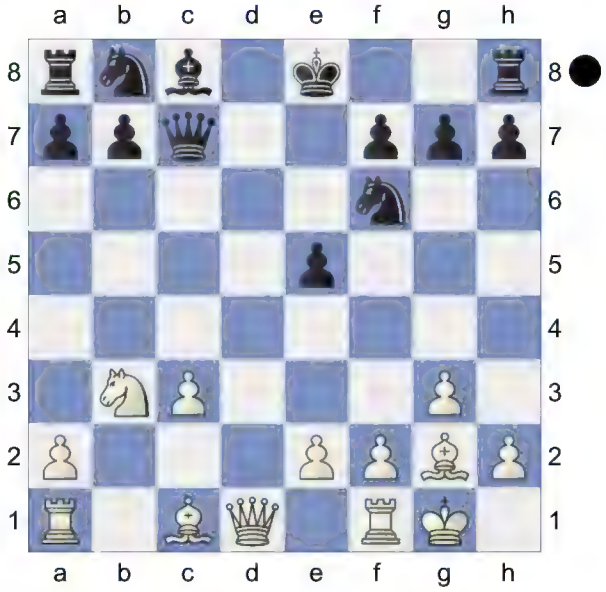
32.Rd5! Rxa2 33.Rxb5 Ra7 34.Bd2 Nc7 *(34...f6 35.Be3 Nc7 36.Rc5 b6 37.Rc6 Nd5 38.Bxb6 Rb7)* 35.Rb6 Nd5 36.Rd6 with good counterplay, A. Ferre Perez-J.Solar, ICCF email 2009. Nf6 37.Bxh6 White's idea is seen variations such as Ra3 38.Bg5 Ne4 and now, because of 12 a5, White's knight can avoid either an exchange or a retreat to a3: 39.Rb6! Nxg5 40.hxg5± Ra7!? 41.f4 is the most popular choice in this position, and here Black has fewer options compared to the 7...g6 8 Nd2. See Richard Palliser's annotations to Jankovic-Gashimov, Kusadasi 2006. Brunello prefers to head into the Fianchetto Variation. If Kf8 then Black might prefer 42.Kf3!? instead of transposing to main lines with 7...g6, especially since the bishop sometimes goes to e7 anyway in Bf4 lines. Similarly, after Ke7 Black might play 43.Ke4 or Kd7 instead of 7...g6. 44.g6 f6 45.Rb4]

[10.Qd3 0-0 11.Bg5 Rd8 12.Qe3 Bxc3+ *(12...Nc6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.0-0 Be6 15.Qh6 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Qe7 17.Rfd1 Rac8)* 13.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 14.bxc3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Rd1 Be6 17.Nc5 Bxa2 *(17...Na5 18.Nxb7 Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Nxb7 20.Bxb7 Rb8 21.Be4 f5 22.Bc2 Rb2 23.Kc1 Rxa2 24.Rd1 Kg7)* 18.Nxb7 Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Rc8 20.Kd2 Bc4 21.Ra1 a6 22.Ke1 Rc7 23.Nd6 Ne7 24.Ne8 Rc8 25.Nxf6+ Kg7 26.Ng4 Bb5 27.Ra3 e4 28.Ne3 f5 29.f3 exf3 30.Bxf3 Kf6 31.Kf2 Ke5 32.Bb7 Rc7 33.Bxa6 Bxa6 34.Rxa6 Rxc3 35.Ra7 Ng6 36.Ra5+ Ke6 37.Nxf5 Ne5 38.Nd4+ Kf6 39.h3 Nd7 40.Ra6+ Kf7 41.Ra7 Kg6]

10...Bxc3



11.bxc3 Kitty Kat: '



' **11...0-0** Kitty Kat: '!' **12.Bg5!?** Although nowhere near as popular as 12 h3, or even 12 Nc4, this pawn move is a reasonable alternative to the main lines and has been played on numerous occasions by GM Predrag Nikolic, one of the world's leading experts on the g3 Benoni. **12...Nbd7!** Not forced, but preventing Nc4 puts the onus on White to find another plan.

[12...Rd8 Kitty Kat 13.Qc2 Nbd7

14.c4 a5 15.Rab1 h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 a4 22.Nxc5 a3 23.h3 Qb5 24.e3 e4 25.Nxe4 Nxe4 26.Qxe4 Be6 27.Qc2 0-1 Hakobyan,A (2608)-Mamedyarov, S (2738) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Early blitz 2023 (10)]

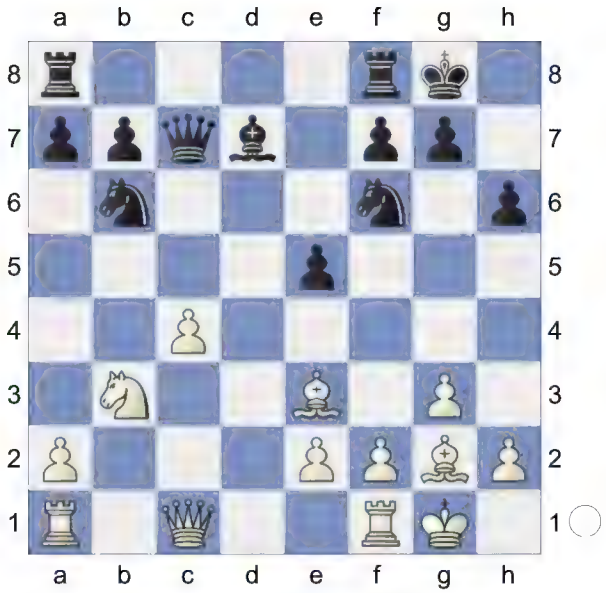
13.Qc1 Kitty Kat: 'N'

[13.Qd3∓ h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.Rfd1 Be6 16.Bc5 Rfd8 17.Bd6! Qc8 18.Qb5! e4 19.Na5 Nc4 20.Be7 *(20.Nxb7 a6 21.Qb1 Rd7)* 20...Rd5 21.Rxd5∓ S.Brunello-A.Rotstein, Brescia 2009. Nxd5!? 22.Qxc4 Nxe7 23.Qxc8+ Rxc8 24.Nxb7 f5 looks okay for Black, who has enough counterplay against the weak d5-pawn. 25.g4 is a more solid option for White than 15 f3, and on the evidence of our main game it's perhaps a better one too: g6 26.gxf5 gxf5 27.Nd6 Rxc3 28.Nb5 Rc2 29.Nxa7 Rxa2]

[13.c4 Kitty Kat h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.c5 Nc4 16.Qc1 Be6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxh6 Nh7 19.f4 Ne3 20.Be4 Bf5 21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Qh5 Nd4 23.Qxe5 Qxe5 24.fxe5 Nc6 25.Rab1 Rad8 26.Nc1 Rd7 27.Nd3 Re8 4 Chapter-Game Chapter 20 Game]

13...h6 14.Be3 With c4 no longer available, this knight seeks activity via a5. **14...Nb6!?** I like this move. Black will play ...Ne4 at some moment, or else provoke White into playing f2-f3 and e2-e4, as happens in the game. In either case it looks like Black gains counterplay. **15.c4** Kitty Kat: '!' **15...Bd7!**

[15...Nxc4?! Kitty Kat 16.Bc5 Be6 *(16...Nd6? 17.Rd1+-)* 17.Bxf8 Rxf8 18.Nd2±]



Now of course 16 Ra3 can be met by 16...Ne3. **16.Na5 Na4** 0.79/20

[16...Rab8 0.37/18 Kitty Kat: '⩲']

17.Nxb7 Brunello varies from 17 Rf2, which he had previously played, but this hardly looks like an improvement and after the obvious reply Black clearly has good counterplay. Indeed it's difficult to believe that Brunello had actually prepared this move. More likely he was caught off guard and improvised over the board. Kitty Kat: ' ±' **17...Bc6!** 1.13/22 Why not?

[⌓17...Rab8 0.77/20 Kitty Kat]

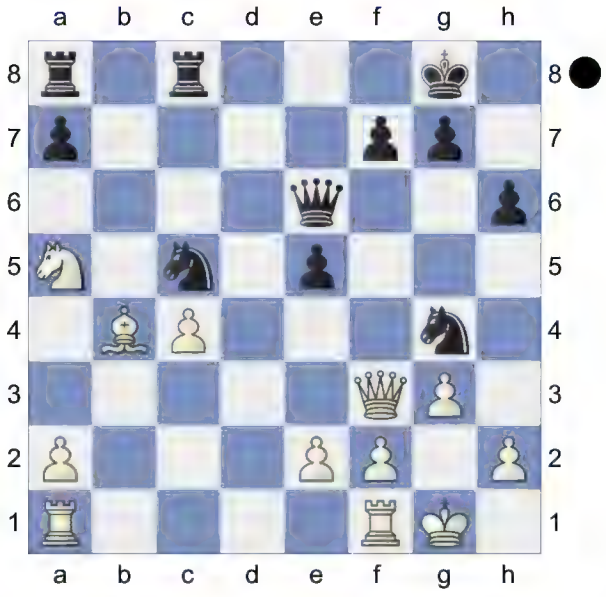
18.Bxc6? Either a blunder or an extremely optimistic exchange sac. **18...Qxc6! 19.Na5** 0.41/20

[19.Qc2± 0.90/20 Kitty Kat]

19...Qa6 Kitty Kat: '⩲' **20.Bd2 Rfc8**

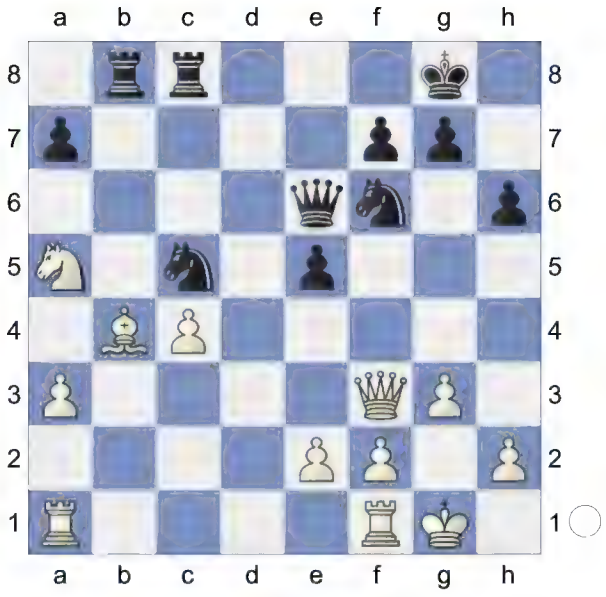
(Diagram)

21.Qa3 Kitty Kat: '!' **21...Nc5∓** White has no compensation whatsoever for the exchange. **22.Qe3?** 0.29/20
[22.Rfd1± 0.70/18 Kitty Kat]
22...Ng4 **23.Qf3** **Qe6-+** **24.Bb4** Kitty Kat: '

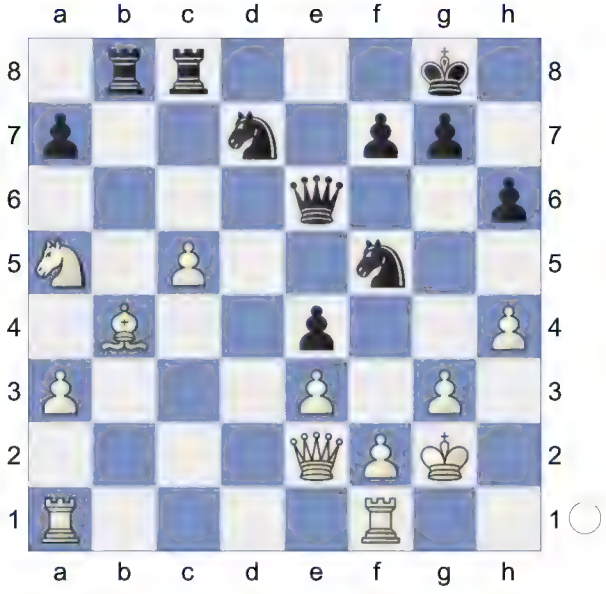


Strongly threatening Bb4xc5.' **24...Rab8** **25.a3** **Nf6**

(Diagram)

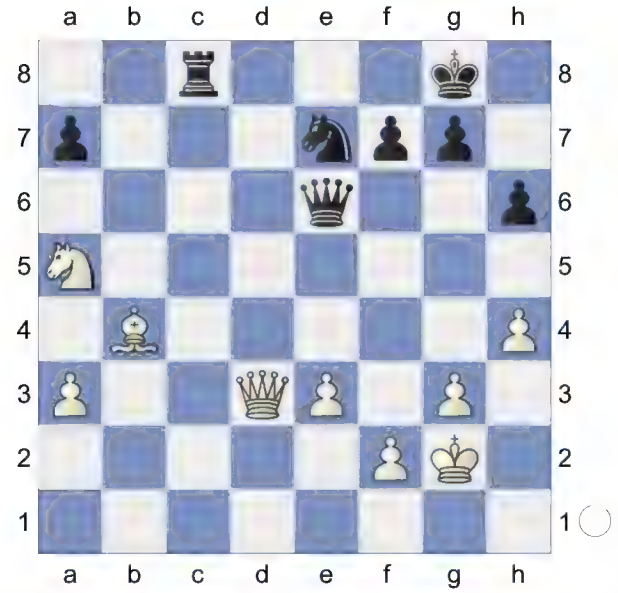


26.Kg2 **Nce4** Kitty Kat: '!' Kitty Kat: ' A dynamic duo of knights.' **27.h4** Kitty Kat: ' Inhibits Ne4-g5.' **27...Nd6** **28.c5** **Nf5** **29.e3** -0.22/19
[29.Qb3!± 0.55/19 Kitty Kat]
29...e4 Kitty Kat: '↑' Kitty Kat: ' Black is pushing.' **30.Qe2** **Nd7**

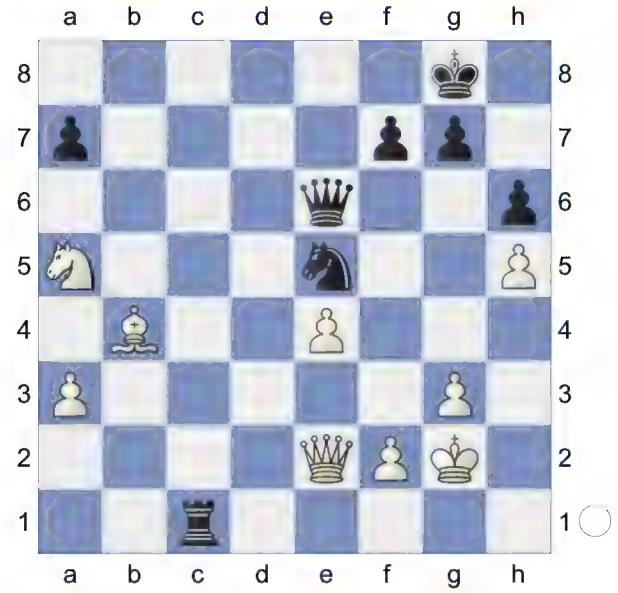


31.Rfd1 -1.95/21 Kitty Kat: '?' Kitty Kat: ' This costs White the game.'
[31.Rac1 -0.28/18 Kitty Kat: '=' Kitty Kat: ' and White stays safe.' Ne5 32.Rfd1 Qg6 *(32...Nd3 33.Rxd3 exd3 34.Qxd3∓)* 33.Rh1 Nd3

34.Rc4]
31...Nxc5 Kitty Kat: '-+' **32.Rac1** -3.12/21
[⌓32.h5 -2.12/19 Kitty Kat]
32...Nd3 33.Rxc8+ Rxc8
[Less strong is 33...Qxc8 Kitty Kat
34.Rxd3 exd3 35.Qxd3∓]
34.Rxd3 exd3 35.Qxd3 Ne7



36.e4 Ng6 Kitty Kat: ' and ...Qe6-g4 would now be decisive' **37.h5 Ne5**
14...Bf5 looks like a good option for Black, and 15 Na5 seems the best reply.
38.Qe2! wins more quickly: **38...Rc1**



Kitty Kat: ' Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.06 (flawless) '
0-1

87 **D41**
□ **Agdestein,Simen** **2580**
■ **Westerinen,Heikki M.J.** **2382**
VISA Nordic GP fin (11) 18.08.1999
[Alterman,Boris]

D41: Queen's Gambit Declined: Semi-Tarrasch with 5 cxd5 **1.d4** Alterman,B Alterman,B Alterman,B Alterman,B Alterman,B: 'Alterman,Boris Alterman, Boris: 'Alterman,B'' **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**

[3.Nf3 cxd4 4.cxd5 Nf6 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.e4 Bd7 8.Bd2 Nc6 9.Ndb5 Rc8 10.Rc1 e5 11.Bc4 a6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Nbc3 Nd4 14.Bb3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Bc6 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 Dubov,D (2710)-Carlsen,M (2847) chess24.com INT 2021 [Justin Tan] 0-1 (41) 18.Kh1 Bxd5 19.Nxd5 f5 20.Qg5 fxe4 21.Qxe5 Rf5 22.Qxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxc8 Rxd5 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.g3 Bxb2 26.Bf4 b5 27.Re1 Rd4 28.Kg2 Rc4 29.Rd1 Bf6 30.Rd2 Kf7 31.g4 Bd4 32.Re2 Bc5 Dubov,D (2708)-Christiansen,J (2577) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (41)]

3...Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.e4N

[5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 19.Rac1 g6 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]

5...Nxc3

(Diagram)

6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e6 8.Nf3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 0-0

11.Be2 b6 12.0-0 Bb7 13.Qf4 Qf6

[13...Nc6 14.Rfd1

A) 14...Qf6 15.Qe3 Rfd8 16.Rd2 Rac8 17.Rad1 Na5 18.Ne5 Rc7 0.37/20 *(18...h6=* 0.03/19 deserves consideration.*)* 19.f4 0.06/21 *(19.Ng4±* 0.37/20 *Qg6 20.d5 exd5 21.exd5)* 19...Qe7 20.d5 exd5 21.exd5 And now d6 would win. Qc5 22.Kf2 -0.54/21 *(22.Ng4=* 0.08/21 *)* 22...Qxe3+∓

23.Kxe3 f6 24.Nf3 1-0 Quinteros, M-Pachman,L/Netanya 1983/MCL (58);
B) 14...Ne7 15.Rac1 Ng6 16.Qe3 Qd7 0.53/21 *(16...Qd6=* 0.20/20 was preferrable.*)* 17.h4!± Rfc8 18.h5 Ne7 1.39/21 *(⌓18...Nf8* 0.90/22 *)* 19.Ne5± Qd8 1.70/22 *(19...Qe8±* 1.22/22 keeps fighting.*)* 20.h6 Ng6 21.Ng4 Rxc1 22.Rxc1 Rc8 23.Rxc8 Bxc8 24.hxg7 1-0 Lilienthal,A-Tylor,T/ Hastings 1933/HCL (41)]

14.Qe3

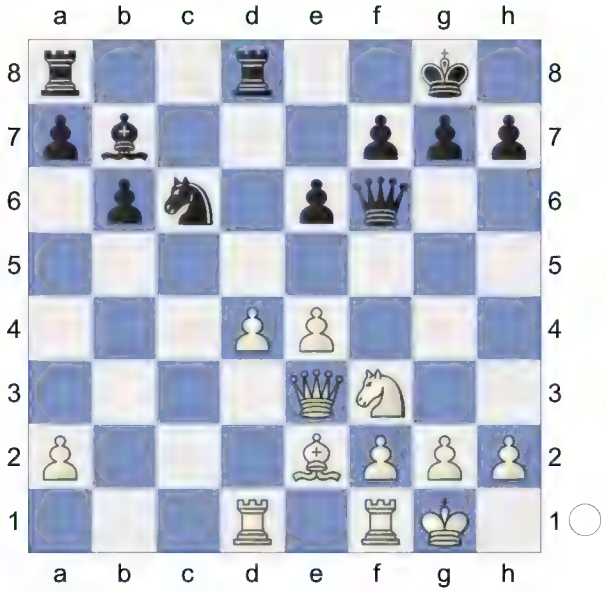
[14.Qxf6 gxf6
A) 15.Bd3 -0.39/23 15.d5 0.35 Nc6 16.Rad1 Rac8 17.Rfe1 Rfd8 Prevents d5. 18.Bb1 Ne7 Against d5 19.Re3 Rc4 20.a3 f5 -0.31/20 *(20...Rdc8* -0.69/21 is more appropriate.*)* 21.exf5 Bxf3 22.Rxf3 Rcxd4 23.Re1 Rd1 24.Kf1 Nxf5 25.Bxf5 exf5 26.Rxf5 ½-½ Wehmeier,S-Luther,T/ Lippstadt 1997/CBM 59 ext (26);
B) ⌓15.d5 0.25/24;
C) 15.e5 -0.21/20 15...fxe5 16.dxe5 Nd7 17.Rfe1 Rfd8 18.Rad1 Nf8 19.Ng5 h6 20.Nh3 -0.80/22 *(20.Bf3∓* -0.48/23 might be stronger. *hxg5 21.Bxb7 Rxd1 22.Rxd1)* 20...Rxd1∓ 21.Rxd1 Bd5 22.Nf4 ½-½ Portisch, L-De Greiff,B/Munich 1958/MCD (22)]

14...Nc6 15.Rad1 The position is equal.

[15.Bb5
A) 15...Rac8 16.Rac1 Rfd8 17.Rfd1 Na5 18.Rxc8 Rxc8 19.d5 exd5! 20.exd5 Qd6 21.Ng5 h6! 22.Ne4 Qb4 23.Be2 Kf8 0.65/20 *(⌓23...Rd8* 0.31/20 *)* 24.Bf3 0.17/22 *(24.Qf4±* 0.65/20 *)* 24...Rd8 0.81/21 *(24...Nc4!=* 0.17/22 keeps the balance. *25.Qd4 Qb2)*

25.Ng3! ½-½ Pomar Salamanca,A-Pachman,L/Tel Aviv 1964/MCD (52);
B) 15...Rfd8 16.Bxc6 Bxc6 17.Ne5 Bb7 ½-½ Pomar Salamanca,A-O'Kelly de Galway,A/ Leipzig 1960/EXT 99 (17)]

15...Rfd8



16.Rd2 Rdc8 0.46/20

[16...Rac8= 0.12/19 should be considered.]

17.Rfd1± Looks dubious.White has clear advantage in the centre,but they should

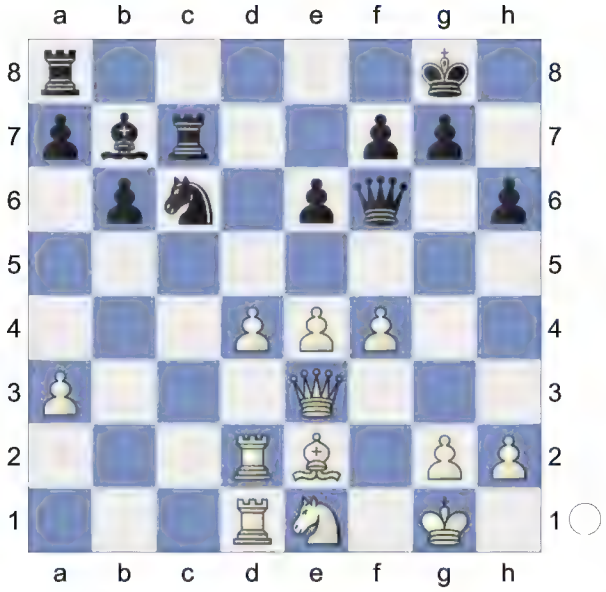
play more active ,after
[17.d5! exd5 18.exd5 Ne7 (18...Re8? 2.00/22 18...Ne7 0.01 19.dxc6 Rxe3 20.cxb7+-) 19.d6 Nd5 20.Qe5 Rc5! (20...Qxe5 0.53/23 20...Rc5 -0.11 21.Nxe5) 21.d7 -0.47/22 (21.Re1= -0.01/22) 21...Qd8! (21...Qc6!?) 22.Qd6 Nf6 1.54/22 (22...Qf8= 0.04/22 23.Qxf8+ Kxf8) 23.Rd4± Bd5 2.68/24 (23...h6± 1.47/21) 24.Rfd1!∞ White has a very unpleasant pressure.]

17...Nb4 0.95/19
[Better is 17...Ne7± 0.36/19]

18.Ne1 0.38/20
[18.a3± 0.95/19 Na6 19.Ne5]

18...h6 19.f4 -0.01/21
[19.h3± 0.33/17]

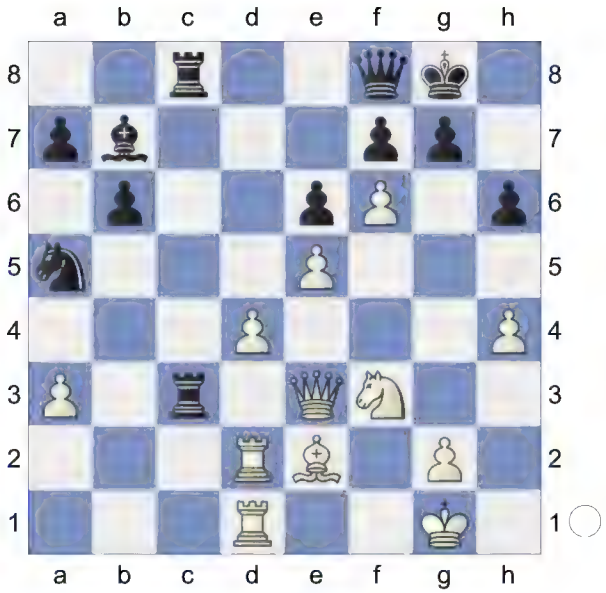
19...Rc7 20.a3 Nc6



21.Nf3 Rac8∓ 22.e5 Qe7 23.f5 Na5 24.f6 Qf8 25.h4
[25.fxg7 -0.51/21 25.h4 -0.07 Qxg7 26.Ne1 Nc4 (26...Qg5) 27.Bxc4 Rxc4 28.Qf2∓ -0.71/20 (28.Rd3!∓ -0.31/22)]

25...Rc3

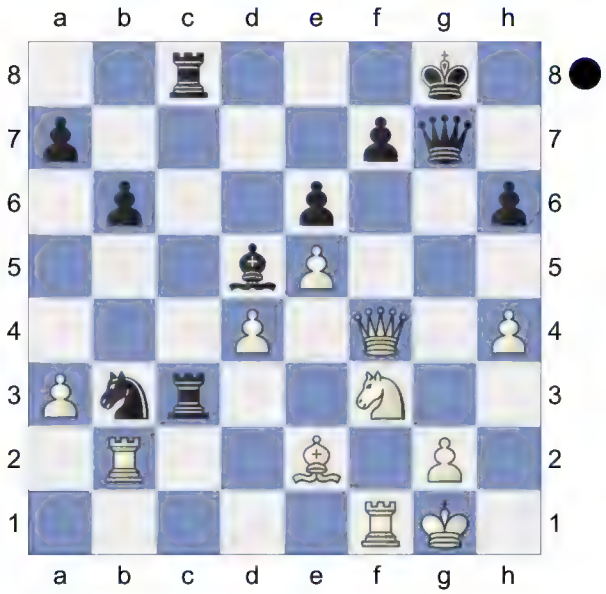
(Diagram)



26.Qf4 Nb3
[Reject 26...Rxa3 27.Rd3 Rxd3 28.Bxd3∓]

27.Rb2 Bd5 28.fxg7 -0.36/23
[28.Nh2= 0.18/20]

28...Qxg7 29.Rf1 -1.17/22
[29.Ne1∓ -0.36/23]

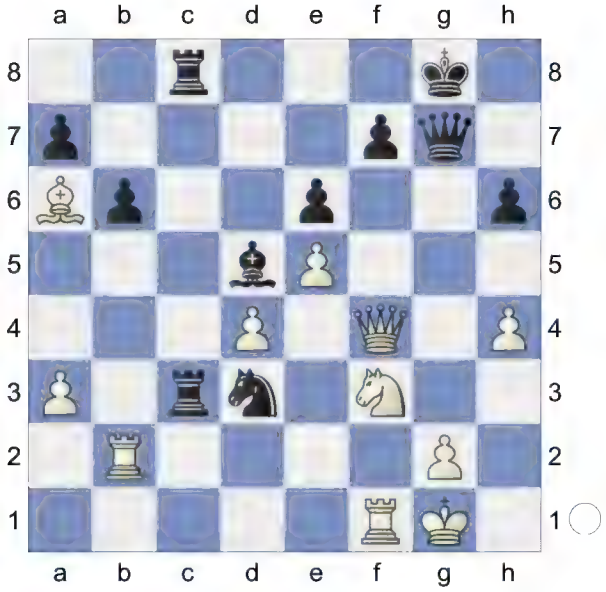


29...Nc1!∓ Easy to see than black improve position and white has no attack.Clear position advantage help for black finish this game without problem. aiming for ...Rc2.

[29...Rc2?! 30.Rxc2 Rxc2 31.Rf2=]

30.Ba6 Nd3

[Much worse is 30...Rc2?! 31.Rxc2 *(31.Rf2 Rxb2 32.Rxb2 Rc3∓)* 31...Rxc2 32.Rf2=]



&Nero is more active. **31.Bxd3 Rxd3**

32.Rbf2 -1.73/21

[32.a4∓ -0.65/23]

32...Rxa3-+ 33.Kh2 Rcc3 -0.73/23

[Black should play 33...Rc7 -1.40/22 Strongly threatening ...a5. 34.Rc1 Rac3]

34.g4? -5.38/24 Now White is beyond hope.

[34.Ne1∓ -0.73/23 is a better chance.]

34...Re3!

[34...Rxf3 -2.62/22 34...a5 -4.89 35.Rxf3 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Rxf3 37.Qxf3∓]

35.Ng1? -7.66/27

[35.g5 -3.61/22 h5 36.g6 Bxf3 37.gxf7+ Kf8 38.Rxf3 Rxf3 39.Rxf3 Ra2+ 40.Rf2 Rxf2+ 41.Qxf2]

35...Re4

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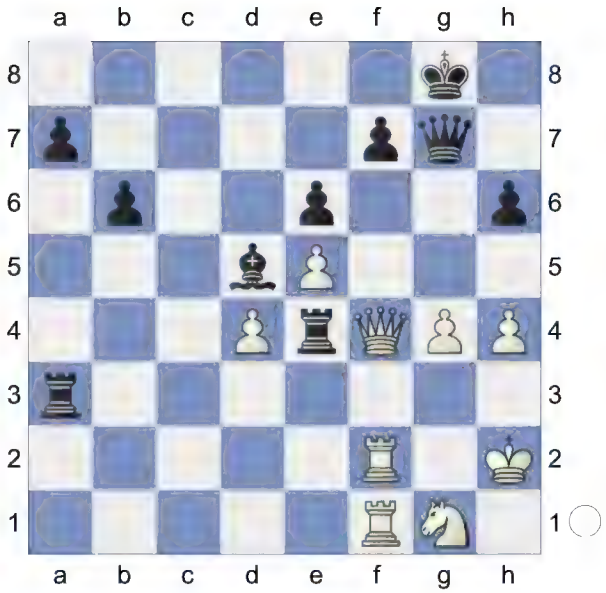
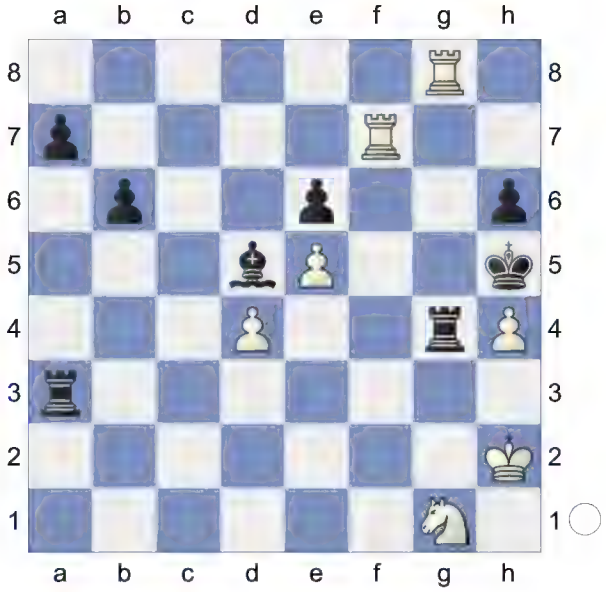


Black is clearly winning. **36.Qxf7+ Qxf7 37.Rxf7 Rxg4 38.Rf8+ Kh7 39.R1f7+ Kg6 40.Rg8+ Kh5**



(→ ...Ra2+) **41.Rxg4 Kxg4 42.Rf2 b5**

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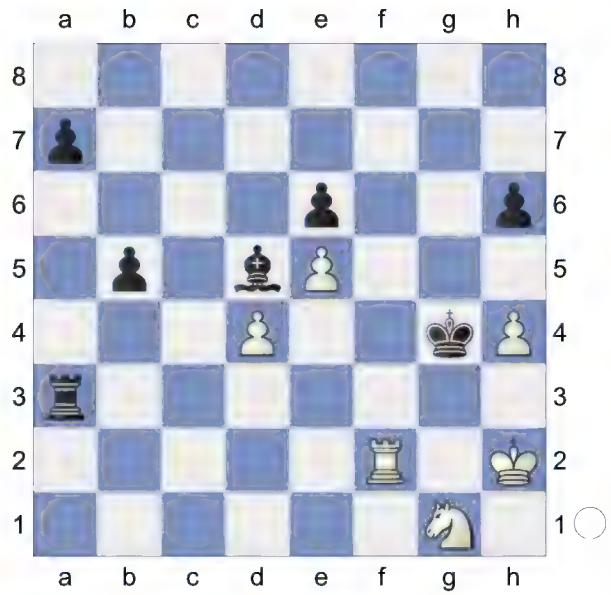

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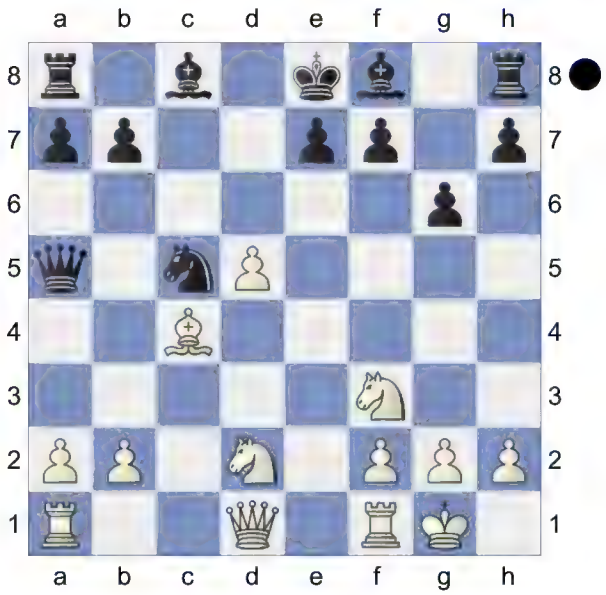
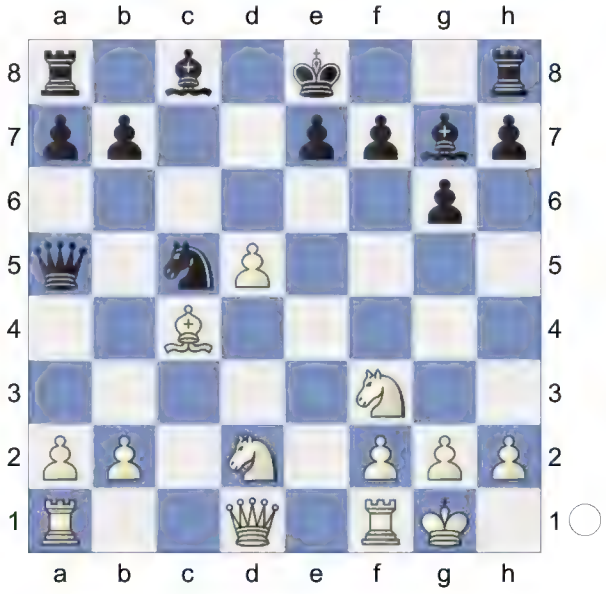
88 **D06**
□ **Lazavik,Denis** **2578**
■ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2802**
Abu Dhabi Online Final (2.2) 21.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4 Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+**

6.Bd2! Nxd2 7.Nxd2 0.21/21
[7.Qxd2± 1.01/22 Qxc5 *(7...Qxd2+ 8.Nxd2 g6 9.b4 Bg7 10.Rc1 0-0 11.Ngf3 Nd7 12.Ne4 f5 13.Neg5 Bb2 14.Rb1 Bc3+ 15.Kd1 a5 16.a3 axb4 17.axb4 Ra4 18.Bb5 Ra3 19.Kc2 Bf6 20.Ne6 Ra2+ 21.Kb3 Rxf2 22.Nxf8* 1-0 Steingrimsson,H (2532)-Breutigam,M (2391) GER CupT Germany 2010 (1)) 8.Na3 Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4 37) 2...c5-2...c5 with 3...Nf6 #2 Lifetime Repertoires: Plichta's Queen's 2023]
7...Nd7N
[7...e6 8.b4 Qxb4 9.Rb1 Qc3 10.Bb5+ Bd7 11.dxe6 fxe6 12.Ngf3 Qxc5 13.Bxd7+ Nxd7 14.0-0 Qd5 15.Qa4 a6 16.Rfd1 b5 17.Qa5 Be7 18.Nb3 Qb7 19.Qe1 Qb6 20.Rbc1 Nf6 21.Nbd4 0-0 22.Rc6 3 Chapter-Games Chapter 16 Game]
8.Ngf3 Threatening Bf1-c4. The position is equal. **8...Nxc5** 0.68/20
[8...g6= 0.05/20]
9.Bc4± g6! 10.0-0

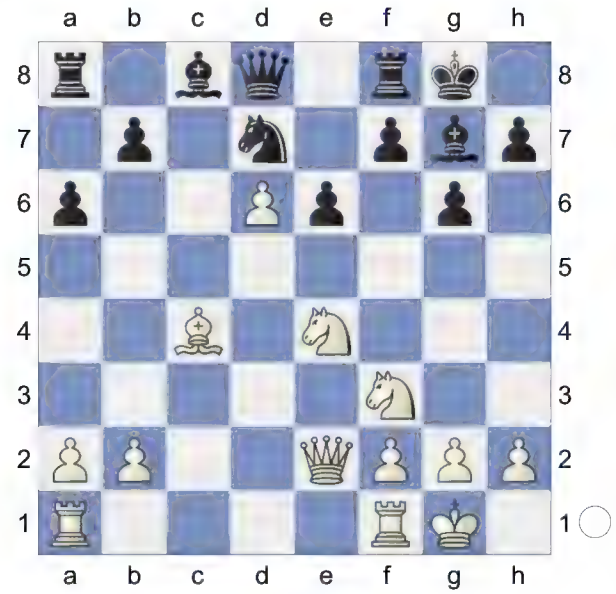


Bg7



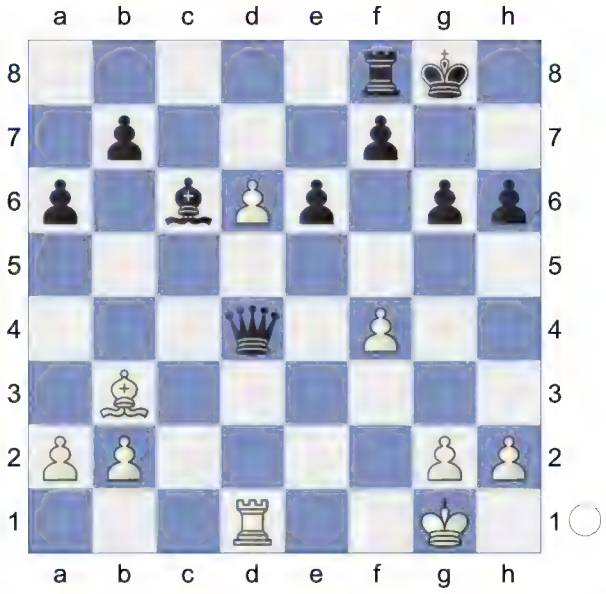
11.Qe2 0.19/19
[11.d6!± 0.56/20]
11...Qd8 0.65/21
[11...0-0= 0.19/19]
12.Bb5+ Nd7 13.d6 and d6xe7 would

now be decisive **13...e6 14.Ne4** -0.01/21
[14.Rfd1± 0.84/23]
14...a6= 15.Bc4 0-0

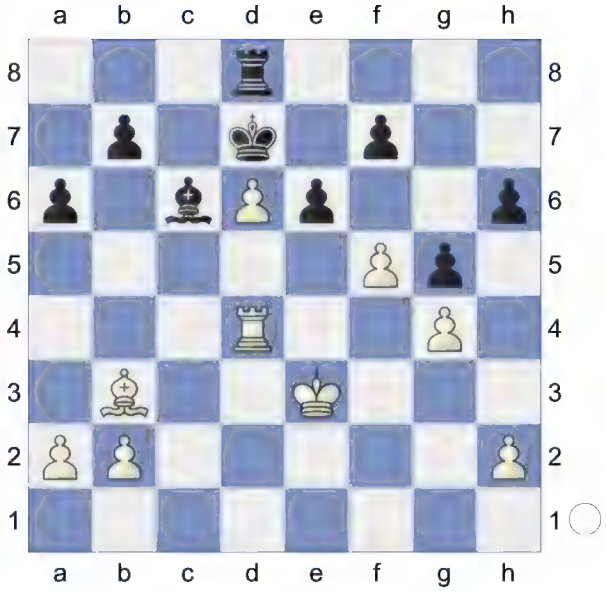


16.Rac1 Nf6 0.52/21
[16...b5= -0.25/21 17.Bb3 a5]
17.Rfd1± Bd7 18.Ne5 0.32/23
[18.Nc5± 0.78/22]
18...Nxe4 19.Qxe4 Rc8 20.Bb3 Bxe5

21.Qxe5 Rxc1 22.Rxc1 Bc6 23.Rd1 h6 24.f4 -0.15/23 Wards off Qd8-g5
[24.Rd2 0.25/23
is more appropriate.]
24...Qb6+= 25.Qd4 -0.56/22
[25.Rd4= -0.11/24]
25...Qxd4+∓

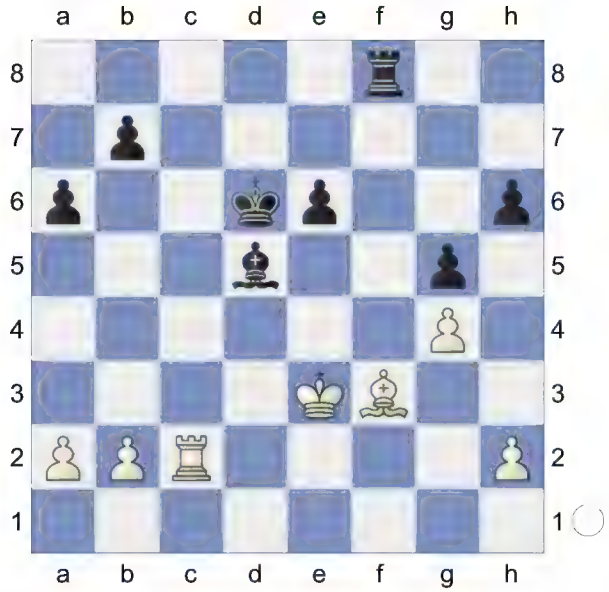


26.Rxd4 Endgame KRB-KRB **26...Rd8 27.Kf2 Kf8 28.g4 Ke8 29.Ke3 Kd7 30.f5** -1.30/22 **g5∓**



31.Rd2 Rh8 -0.88/22
[Black should play 31...exf5 -1.55/24
32.gxf5 Re8+ 33.Kd4 Re4+
(33...Kxd6 34.Bxf7 Re4+ 35.Kd3∓)
34.Kc3 Re5 35.Bxf7 Rc5+
(35...Rxf5 36.Bh5∓) 36.Kb4 Rxf5]
32.Bd1 -1.91/23
[32.h3∓ -0.88/22]

32...Bd5 -1.42/23
[32...exf5-+ -1.91/23 and ...Rh8-e8+ would now be decisive 33.gxf5 Re8+ 34.Kf2 Re5]
33.Bf3 -1.81/24
[33.fxe6+∓ -1.42/23 fxe6 *(33...Kxd6 34.exf7 Ke6 35.Bc2±)* 34.Rf2]
33...Kxd6 34.fxe6 fxe6 35.Rc2 -2.41/23
[35.Bxd5 -1.70/23 was called for. exd5 36.Rf2]
35...Rf8-+
[Less strong is 35...Bxa2 36.Bxb7 h5 37.gxh5∓]



36.Be2 -4.32/24
[36.Bg2 -2.37/24]
36...Bxa2 Black is clearly winning. **37.b4 Bd5 38.Rb2 Rf4 39.h3 Re4+ 40.Kf2 e5**

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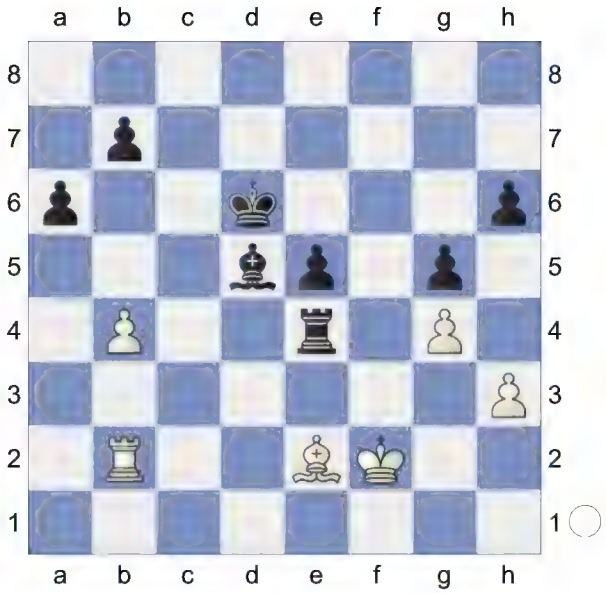
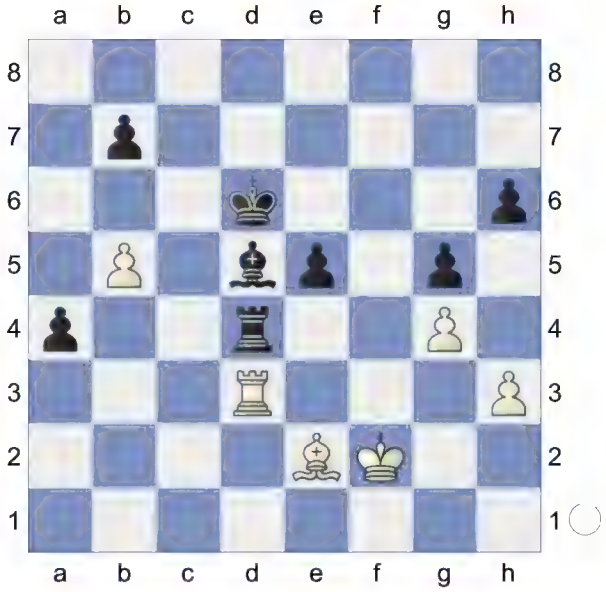


41.b5 -6.26/24
[⌓41.Rb1 -4.25/23]
41...a5 42.Rd2 a4 43.Rd3 Rd4



44.Rc3 Rb4 45.Rc8 a3

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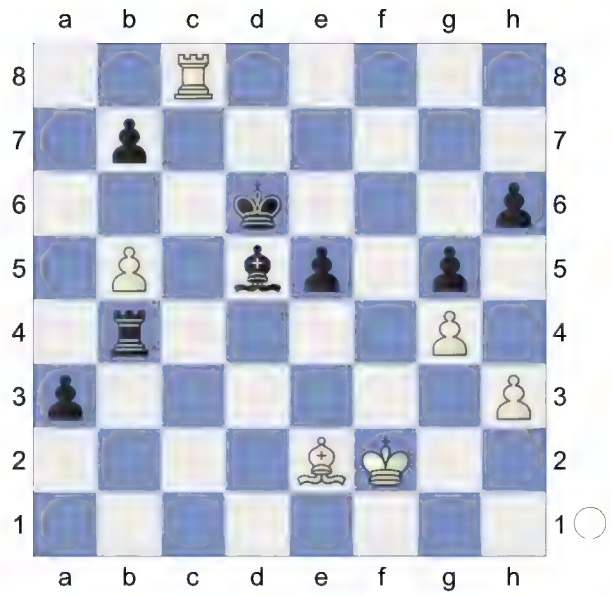
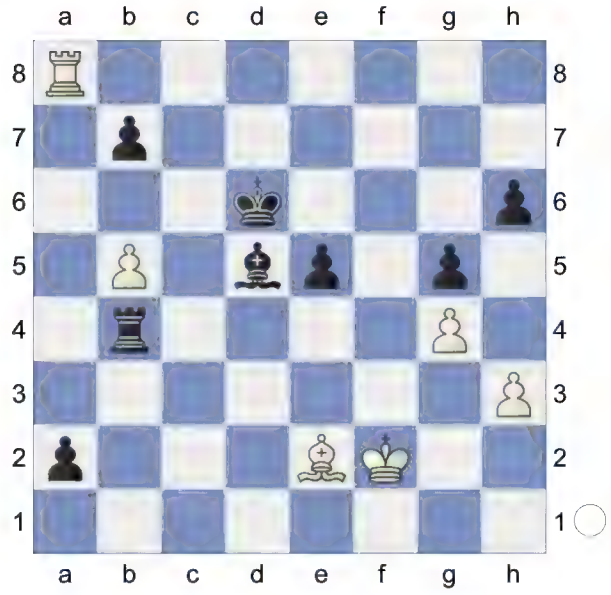


46.Ra8 a2



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89 **D06**
□ **Brunello,Sabino** **2573**
■ **Piorun,Kacper** **2681**
17. ch-EUR Indiv 2016 (5.29) 16.05.2016
[Andrew Martin]

The next game and all the references within it are exclusively from 2016. This shows that 2...c5 can be considered a modern move, designed to ambush an unsuspecting opponent. Kitty Kat: 'D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences ' The next game and all the references within it are exclusively from 2016. This shows that 2...c5 can be considered a modern move, designed to ambush an unsuspecting opponent. **1.d4** Kitty Kat **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5**

[It is worth mentioning that 3.dxc5 Nf6! 4.cxd5 Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5 is less dangerous for Black, as White cannot keep his extra pawn, e.g. 6.Bd2 *(6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 e5! 8.Nf3 f6 9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bc4 Bxc5* is equal *)* 6...e5 7.Nc3 *(or 7.b4 a5 8.bxa5 Bxc5 9.e3 Nb4!)* 7...Be6! *(*better than *7...Nxc3 8.Bxc3 Nc6 9.b4 a5 10.bxa5?! f6)* 8.Rc1 Nxc3 9.Bxc3 f6 and both the c5- and a2-pawn are under attack.]

3...Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5

(Diagram)

6.Nxd4 Brunello sets up with g3 and tries to exert Catalan-style pressure on the long diagonal. **6...Nf6** Kitty Kat: ' Prevents e2-e4.' **7.g3**

[After 7.Nb3 Qc7 Black can come under pressure: 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 *(9...g6!* is a worthy alternative*)* 10.0-0 a6 11.Be3 Bd6 *(11...Bb4* is possible*)* 12.f4 e5 13.f5 0-0 14.Rc1 *(14.Bg5 Be7 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Qd3* seems better for White, but Black has *Nb4! 18.Nxb4 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qxb4* keeping equality*)* 14...Qd8 15.g4 h6 16.h4 Nh7 17.Kg2 Be7 18.Qxd8 Rxd8 19.Bb6 Bxh4 20.Bxd8 Bxd8 21.Bc4 Nf6 22.Kf3 Bb6 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.exd5 Nd4+ 25.Nxd4 Bxd4 26.Bb3 Kf8 27.d6 Bd7 28.Rc7 Rd8 29.Rfc1 Bc6+ 30.Ke2 e4 31.Rxf7+ Ke8 32.Re7+ Kf8 33.Rf7+ Ke8 34.Rd1 Bb5+ 35.Ke1 Bf6 36.Kf2 Bd3 ½-½, Ding Liren-S.Mamedyarov, China 2016. I am not sure why a draw as agreed, as ½-½, Ding Liren-S. Mamedyarov, China 2016. I am not sure why a draw as agreed, as 37.Rxf6! gxf6 38.Rh1 Rxd6 39.Rxh6

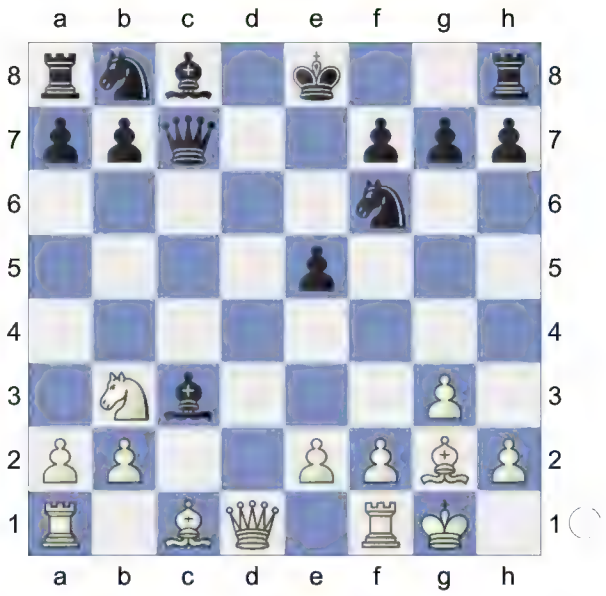
Bb5 40.Ke3 Bc6 41.Bc2 is quite a bit better for White.]

7...e5 8.Nb3 Kitty Kat: 'White is slightly better.' **8...Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4** Black's development speeds along and he prepares to castle. Everything hinges on White's ability to tie down Black's queenside. **10.0-0**

[Alternative moves have been scoring well for White recently, although objectively Black had a good position in both of these example: 10.Bd2 0-0 11.0-0 Nc6 12.Rc1 Bf5= '=' 13.Qe1 *(13.Bg5 Rfd8 14.Qe1 Qb6 15.Bxf6 gxf6* looks worse than it is for Black, as White has no way of taking advantage of his better pawn structure *)* 13...Bxc3 14.Bxc3 Be4 15.Bh3 Bd5 16.Nd2 Rfe8 17.b3 Rad8 18.e4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Qe2 h6 21.Nf3 Qb6 22.Rfe1 a6 23.Kg2 Qb5 24.Qxb5 axb5 25.Re2 Ra8 (there is still no indication that Black is going to lose this game) 26.Be1 Nd4?! *(26...Ne8 27.Rc5 b4 28.Rb5 Nd6 29.Rb6 Ra6!* neutralizes White's rook excursion*)* 27.Nxd4 exd4 28.Rd1 Rxe4 29.Rxe4 Nxe4 30.Rxd4 Nc5 31.h4 *(* or *31.Rd5 Ne6 32.Rxb5 Rxa2 33.Rxb7 Nc5 34.Rb8+)* 31...Ne6 32.Rd5 Rxa2 33.Rxb5 Ra7 34.Bd2 Nc7 *(34...f6 35.Be3 Nc7! 36.Rc5 b6 37.Rc6 Nd5 38.Bxb6 Rb7* leaves the Black position fully defensible*)* 35.Rb6 Nd5 36.Rd6 Nf6 37.Bxh6± Ra3 38.Bg5 Ne4 39.Rb6 Nxg5 40.hxg5 Ra7 41.f4 Kf8 42.Kf3 Ke7 43.Ke4 Kd7 44.g6 f6 45.Rb4 1-0, P.Nikolic-M.Ulibin, Bregenz 2016.]

[10.Qd3 0-0 11.Bg5 Rd8 12.Qe3 Bxc3+ (too soon) *(*simple development with *12...Nc6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.0-0 Be6* would have given Black equal chances as the shattered kingside pawns are hard to exploit: *15.Qh6 Bxc3 16.bxc3 Qe7 17.Rfd1 Rac8* and Black defends comfortably*)* 13.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 14.bxc3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Rd1 Be6 17.Nc5 Bxa2? a tempting capture, but wrong; *(*the careful *17...Na5!* maintains the balance after *18.Nxb7 Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Nxb7 20.Bxb7 Rb8* (It is White who has to be careful now) *21.Be4 f5 22.Bc2 Rb2 23.Kc1 Rxa2 24.Rd1 Kg7)* 18.Nxb7 (now White gets the upper hand) Rxd1+ 19.Kxd1 Rc8 20.Kd2 Bc4 21.Ra1 a6 22.Ke1 Rc7 23.Nd6 Ne7 24.Ne8 Rc8 25.Nxf6+ Kg7 26.Ng4 Bb5 27.Ra3 e4 28.Ne3 f5 29.f3 exf3 30.Bxf3 Kf6 31.Kf2 Ke5 32.Bb7 Rc7 33.Bxa6 Bxa6 34.Rxa6 Rxc3 35.Ra7 Ng6 36.Ra5+ Ke6 37.Nxf5 Ne5 38.Nd4+ Kf6 39.h3 Nd7 40.Ra6+ Kf7 41.Ra7 Kg6 1-0, Y.Wang-H. Wang, Huaian 2016.]

10...Bxc3



11.bxc3 0-0 Kitty Kat: '!' **12.Bg5 Nbd7!**

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[12...Rd8 Kitty Kat 13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.c4 a5 15.Rab1 h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 a4 22.Nxc5 a3 23.h3 Qb5 24.e3 e4 25.Nxe4 Nxe4 26.Qxe4 Be6 27.Qc2 0-1 Hakobyan,A (2608)-Mamedyarov,S (2738) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Early blitz 2023 (10)]

13.Qc1 Kitty Kat: 'N'

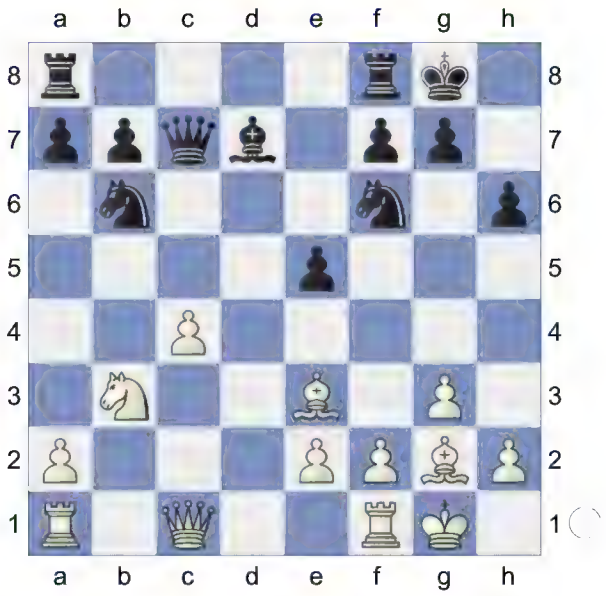
[13.Qd3 is a little more active, but then the queen can be attacked after ...Rd8. Black is absolutely fine in the positions that arise, e.g. h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.Rfd1 Be6 16.Bc5 Rfd8 17.Bd6 Qc8 18.Qb5 e4 19.Na5 Nc4! 20.Be7 *(20.Nxb7? a6 21.Qb1 Rd7* wins *)* 20...Rd5 21.Rxd5 Nxd5 22.Qxc4 Nxe7 23.Qxc8+ Rxc8 24.Nxb7 f5 25.g4 g6 26.gxf5 gxf5 27.Nd6 Rxc3 28.Nb5 Rc2 29.Nxa7 Rxa2 ½-½, M.Ragger-A.Mista, Germany 2016. An unexciting game, but definitely instructive.]

[13.c4 Kitty Kat h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.c5 Nc4 16.Qc1 Be6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxh6 Nh7 19.f4 Ne3 20.Be4 Bf5 21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Qh5 Nd4 23.Qxe5 Qxe5 24.fxe5 Nc6 25.Rab1 Rad8 26.Nc1 Rd7 27.Nd3 Re8 4 Chapter-Game Chapter 20 Game]

13...h6 14.Be3 Nb6 Kitty Kat: ' Repels c3-c4' **15.c4** Kitty Kat: '!' **15...Bd7** 0.51/19

[15...Nxc4?! Kitty Kat 16.Bc5 Be6 *(16...Nd6? 17.Rd1+-)* 17.Bxf8 Rxf8 18.a4±]

[15...Be6= 0.00/17 Kitty Kat]



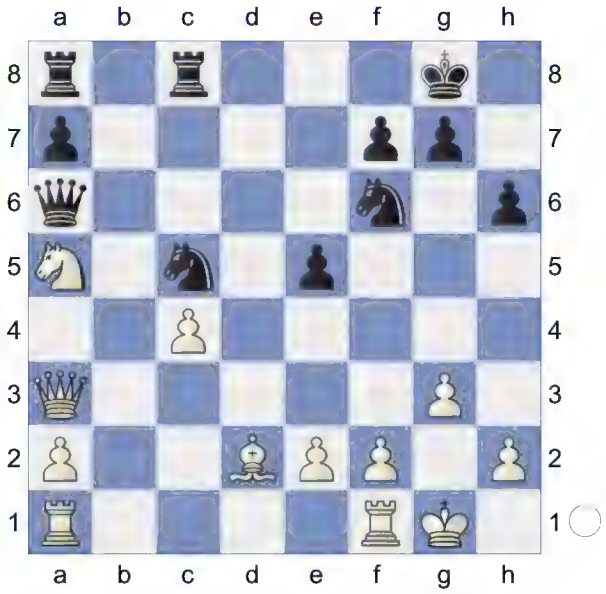
16.Na5 Kitty Kat: ' ± ' **16...Na4!?** 0.91/20

Black makes the interesting decision to give up the b7-pawn in return for the initiative.

[Many would have simply defended with Kitty Kat: ' Better is' 16...Rab8 0.31/17 and of course this is a bit passive, but the Black position is very solid. Kitty Kat: '⩲']

17.Nxb7 Kitty Kat: ' ±' **17...Bc6 18.Bxc6 Qxc6 19.Na5 Qa6 20.Bd2 Rfc8** Kitty Kat: '

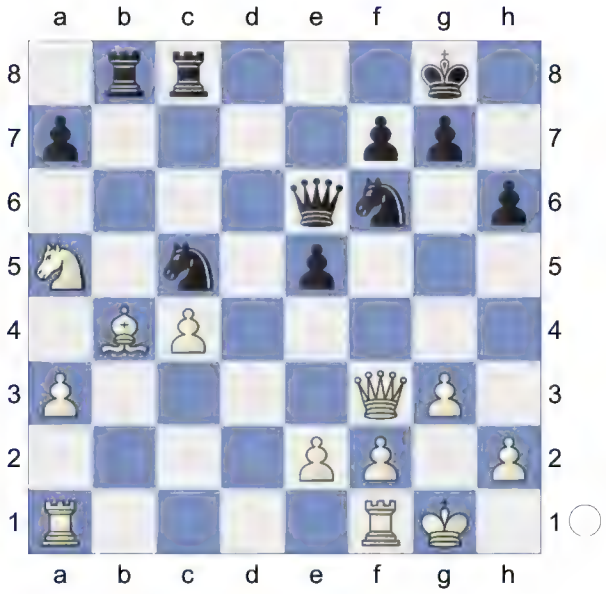
' **21.Qa3** Kitty Kat: '!' **21...Nc5** The pawn sacrifice has enabled Black to coordinate his pieces and put White in a slight tangle. With the clock ticking such positions are often difficult to handle for the player with the extra pawn. The c4-pawn is vulnerable and will require constant protection. It should not be difficult for White just to give back the pawn and make an easy draw, but one has to make a mental readjustment in order to do that. The pawn sacrifice has enabled Black to coordinate his pieces and put White in a slight tangle. With the clock ticking such positions are often difficult to handle for the player with the extra pawn. The c4-pawn is vulnerable and will require constant protection. It should not be difficult for White just to give back the pawn and make an easy draw, but one has to make a mental readjustment in order to do that. Kitty Kat: '



' **22.Qe3** 0.15/20

[White should play 22.Rfd1!± 0.74/17 Kitty Kat]

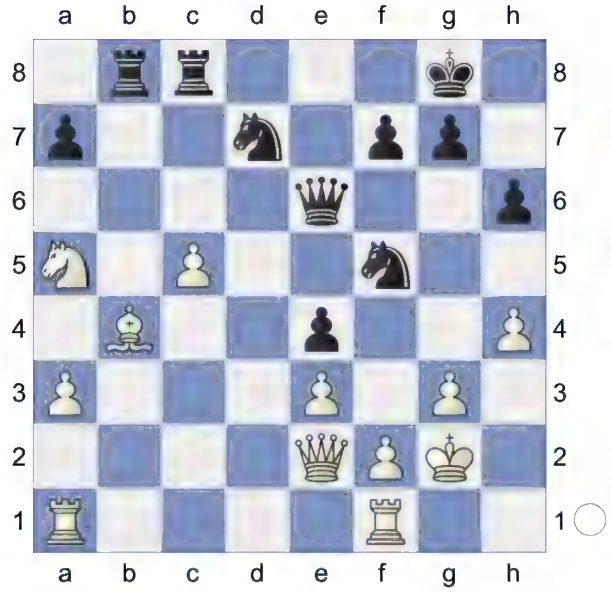
22...Ng4 Kitty Kat: ' A dynamic duo of knights.' **23.Qf3 Qe6 24.Bb4** Kitty Kat: ' Strongly threatening Bb4xc5.' **24...Rab8 25.a3 Nf6**



26.Kg2 **Nce4** Kitty Kat: '!' **27.h4** Kitty Kat: ' Prevents Ne4-g5' **27...Nd6** **28.c5** A less than ideal move for the white bishop. Kitty Kat: '!' **28...Nf5** **29.e3** 0.01/20

[29.Qb3!± 0.43/20 (Kitty Kat) feels stronger.]

29...e4 Kitty Kat: '↑' Kitty Kat: ' Black has the initiative.' **30.Qe2** **Nd7**



Kitty Kat: '!' **31.Rfd1?** -1.95/21 White returns the pawn at the wrong moment, but with Black seemingly threatening ...Ne5-f3 or ....Ne5-d3, White feels he has to activate his game. Kitty Kat: ' Now White is beyond hope.'

[31.Rac1 is better, keeping the c-pawn for the time being and after Ne5 32.Rfd1 Qg6! *(32...Nd3?! 33.Rxd3 exd3 34.Qxd3* is rather nice for White, who has two pawns for the exchange and has snuffed out Black's attack*)* 33.Rh1 Nd3 34.Rc4 , White is defending.]

[31.c6!= -0.13/18 (Kitty Kat) and White stays safe. Ne5 32.Rfc1]

31...Nxc5 Kitty Kat: '-+' **32.Rac1** -3.19/21

[32.h5 -2.05/18 Kitty Kat]

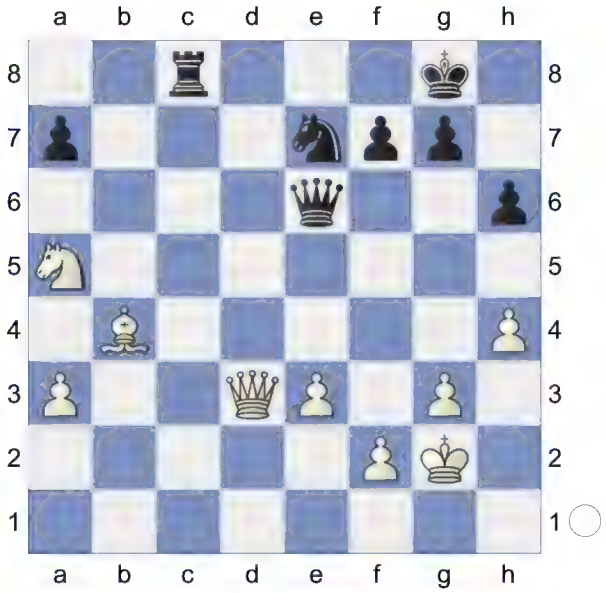
32...Nd3 Suddenly, Black is much better, with his knight on d3 controlling the position. **33.Rxc8+** **Rxc8**

[Less strong is 33...Qxc8 Kitty Kat 34.Rxd3 exd3 35.Qxd3∓]

34.Rxd3 -3.78/25

[⌓34.h5 -2.54/20 Kitty Kat]

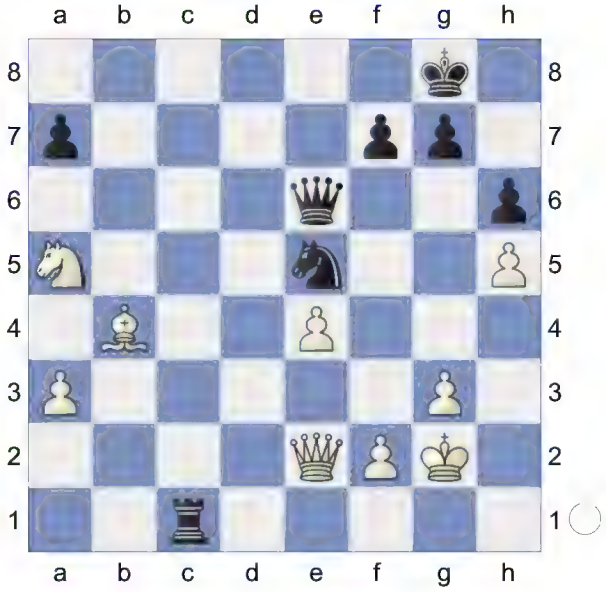
34...exd3 **35.Qxd3** **Ne7**



36.e4 **Ng6** **37.h5** **Ne5** **38.Qe2** -4.96/21

[38.Qd5 -3.44/20 (Kitty Kat) might work better.]

38...Rc1



. There are no decent moves to be found for White. An easy plan for Black might

be to increase control further by taking the seventh rank eg ...Ra1-a2. Sometimes, it is truly better to resign. Kitty Kat: ' Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.10 (very precise) '
0-1

90 **D06**
□ **Atalik,Suat** **2568**
■ **Ulybin,Mikhail** **2529**
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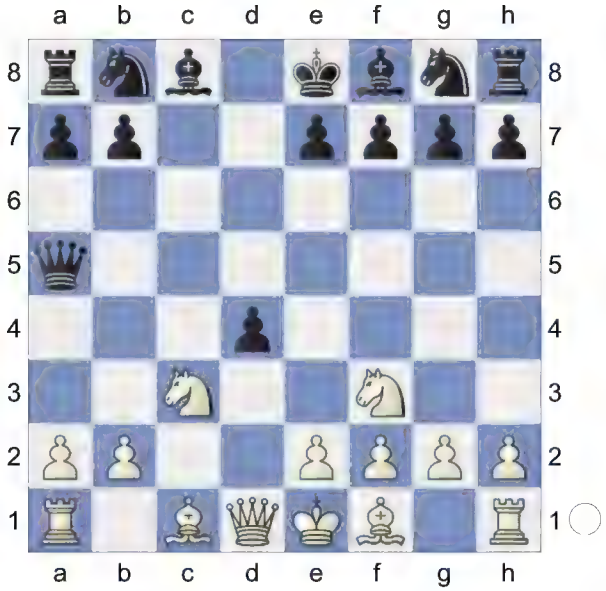
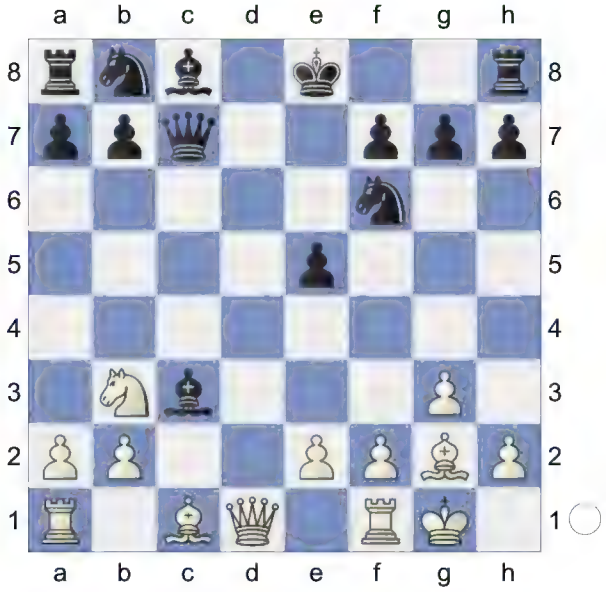
[Atalik,Suat]

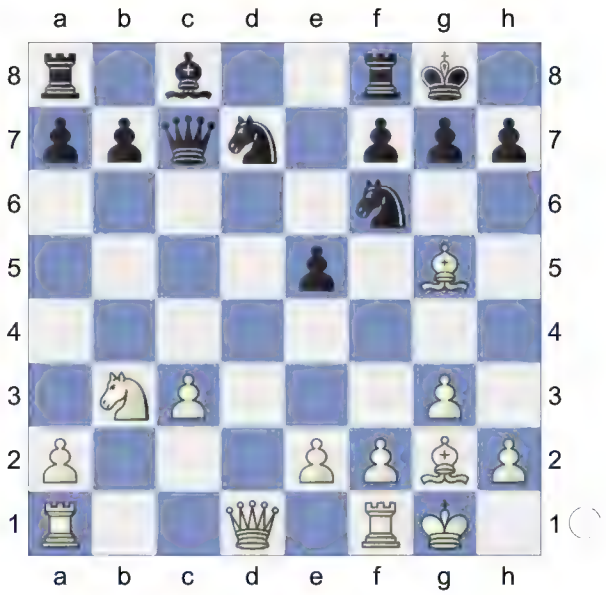
D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4** I had to win this game in order to catch the leaders and become equal first in the tournament. **1...d5 2.c4 c5!?** O'Kelly liked this a lot. **3.cxd5** The normal capture.
[3.dxc5 d4 4.a3 a5 5.e3 e5 6.exd4 exd4 7.Nf3 Bxc5 8.Bd3 Nc6 9.0-0 Nge7∞]
3...Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3
[5.Qxd4!? Nf6 6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4±]
5...Qa5



6.Nxd4 Nf6 Prevents e2-e4 **7.g3 e5 8.Nb3** White is slightly better. **8...Qc7** A historical position. This opening has been picked up by Mamedyarov and Ulibin+Gleizerov recently. **9.Bg2** Prevents Qc7-c6. **9...Bb4 10.0-0**
[10.Qd3 0-0 11.0-0 *(11.Bg5 Rd8 12.Qf3!?)* 11...Rd8 12.Qb5!? are also interesting ideas I was pondering about in the game.]
[10.Bd2 0-0 11.0-0 Rd8 12.Qc1! I find White's position good and solid but also a little bit confined.]
10...Bxc3



11.bxc3 0-0! 12.Bg5! I already started to brew the sacrifice on h6 in my mind albeit it may not be the soundest variation I had at my disposal.
[12.Be3!? Rd8 13.Qb1!?∞]
12...Nbd7



13.c4! h6

[13...Qxc4 14.Rc1 Qg4 *(14...Qa4* 0.46/18 14...Qc4-g4 0.06 *15.Qc2; 14...Qa6 15.Qd2)* 15.Be3 Nb6 0.42/17 *(15...Qh5=* 0.06/17 is more appropriate.*)* 16.Nc5± Nc4 17.Bd4 Qxd4 18.Qxd4 exd4 19.Rxc4±]

14.Be3 Nb6! 15.c5 -0.19/22

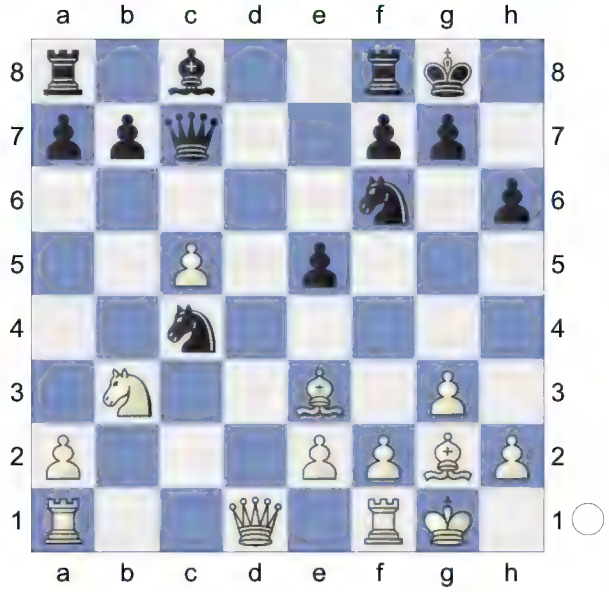
[15.Bxb6? -0.24/22 15.Ra1-c1 0.39 axb6∓]

[15.Rc1! Rd8 16.Qc2! *(16.Qe1* 0.25/20 16.Qd1-c2 0.69 *a5)* 16...a5 17.Nd2±]

[15.Na5 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Qxc4 17.Qd2]

[White should play 15.Rc1!± 0.61/21]

15...Nc4=



16.Qc1 Be6 17.Bxh6! -0.49/20 This is the natural follow-up in my plan, so no matter what happens I had to commit myself to it.

[17.Rd1?! Rfd8 18.Qc3 Nd5 19.Bxd5 Rxd5 20.Rxd5 Bxd5 21.Nd2∓]

17...gxh6∓ 18.Qxh6 Nh7! Wards off Qh6-g5+

[18...Ng4? 0.99/20 18...Nf6-h7 -0.45 19.Qg5+ Kh7 2.12/20 *(19...Kh8 20.h3+-; 19...Kh8±* 1.09/22 *)* 20.Be4++- f5 21.Qxg4+-]

19.f4? -1.85/20 Now White is beyond hope. This is a terrible move!

[19.Be4 f6

A) 20.Rab1 ____ and Nb3-d4! should not be overlooked Rab8! 21.Rfd1 -1.22/21 *(21.c6=* -0.22/20 remains equal. *b6 22.f4)* 21...Qg7∓ 22.Qxg7+ Kxg7 23.Bd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 Ng5 -1.19/21 *(*Better is *24...f5-+* -1.66/20 *25.c6 Nf6)* 25.Rc1∓ b5 26.cxb6 Nxb6 27.Ra5 Rf7;

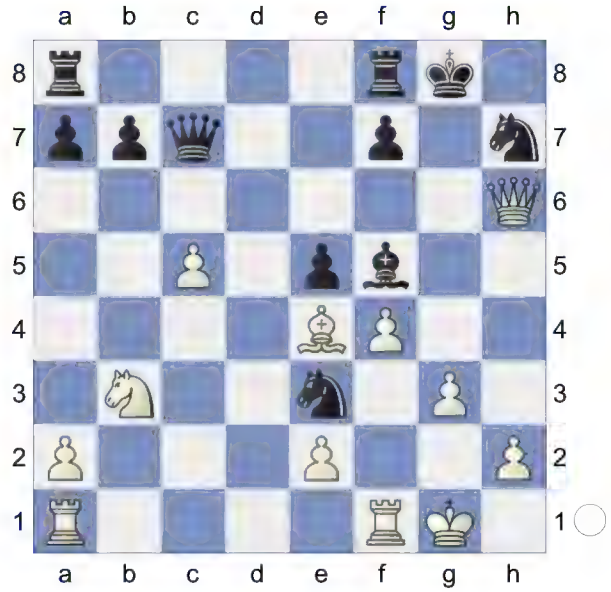
B) 20.Rac1!?]

[19.Rac1!? should be squeezed into any plan since Black's ♘c4 is shaky.]

[19.c6∓ -0.54/21 bxc6 20.Be4]

19...Ne3-+ 20.Be4 Bf5

[20...Nf5?? 2.05/20 20...Be6-f5 -1.85 21.Qh5]



21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Qh5 Nd4!

[22...Ng7?! 23.Qxe5 Qxe5 24.fxe5 Rae8 25.Rad1 Re7 26.Rd5∓]

23.Qxe5 -2.22/21

[23.fxe5 -1.92/19 23.Ra1-c1 -1.56 Nxb3 24.axb3 Qxc5+ 25.Kg2 Qc6+

26.Rf3 -2.07/20 (26.Qf3∓ -1.55/19) 26...Qg6∓]
[23.Rac1 Rae8 24.e3 -2.37/21 (24.f5 -1.77/20) 24...Nxb3-+ 25.axb3 exf4 26.exf4 Qc6∓]
[23.Rac1 -1.82/20]

23...Qxe5 24.fxe5 Nc6!-+ It is clear that Black is practically winning after this good move.

[24...Nxe2+ 25.Kg2 Ng5 26.Na5 -2.01/18 (26.Rae1 -1.64/19 is a better defense. Nc3 27.Rf4) 26...b6-+ 27.cxb6 axb6 28.Nc4⇄]

25.Rab1 Rad8

[25...Nxe5 26.Nd4]

Dodges Nb3-d2 **26.Nc1 Rd7**

[26...Nxe5 27.Rxb7 Rd2 28.Rxa7∓]

27.Nd3 Re8 28.Rf5?!

[28.Rf4 Nxe5 29.Re4 f6 30.h4 Kf7∓]

28...Nd4 29.Rf2 Ng5 30.Kg2 Inhibits Ng5-h3. **30...Ne4⊕**

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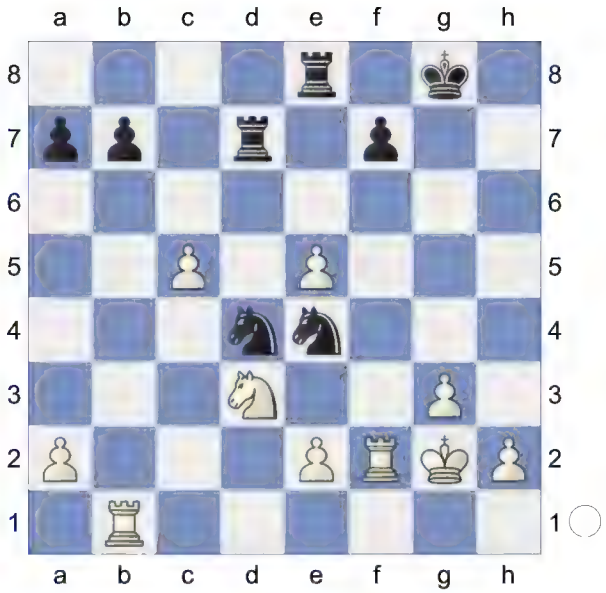


31.Rf4 Nc3 A dynamic duo of knights.

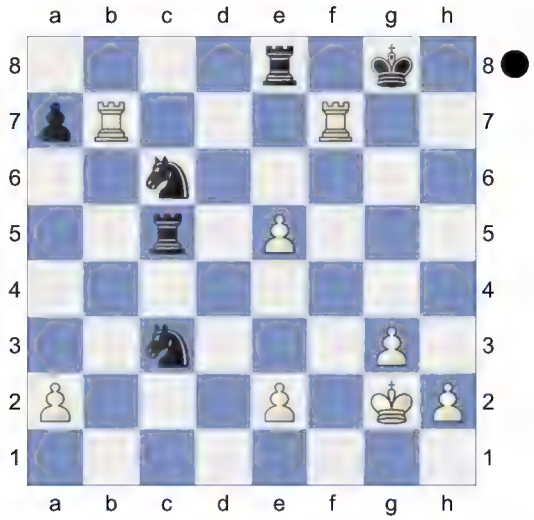
[31...Nxe2 32.Rxe4 Nc3 33.e6 (33.Rg4+ Kf8∓) 33...fxe6 (33...Rxd3? 34.exf7+ Discovered Attack Kxf7 35.Rf1+ Deflection Kg6 36.Rxe8+-) 34.Rg4+ Kh8 35.Rb2 (35.Rh4+ Kg7=) 35...Rxd3 36.Rxb7=]

32.c6! The only move to mess things up in his time trouble. **32...Nxc6**

[32...bxc6 33.Rg4+ Kf8 34.Rf1]

33.Nc5 Rde7

[33...Rd5 34.Rxb7 Rxc5 35.Rfxf7



Nd8! 36.Rg7+ Kf8 37.Rxa7 Rexe5 38.Rh7 Rxe2+ 39.Kh3 Rg5!-+

is more difficult to convert considering the usual impotence of a pair of knights.]

[33...Nxb1 34.Nxd7 Re6 *(34...Nxe5 35.Nf6+ Kf8 36.Nxe8+-)* 35.Rg4+ Rg6 36.Rc4-+]

34.Rb3

[34.Rg4+ Kf8 35.Rxb7 Rxb7 36.Nxb7 Nxe5 37.Rh4 Ng6 38.Rc4 Nd1!-+]

34...Nxe2 35.Rg4+ Kf8

36.e6! fxe6 37.Rb2 Ncd4

[⩲37...Ned4 38.Nxb7 Nf5-+]

38.Re4 Rc8 39.Nd3

[39.Nxe6+ Rxe6 40.Rxe6 Nxe6 41.Rxe2 Nd4 42.Re4 Rc2+ 43.Kh3 Rd2-+]

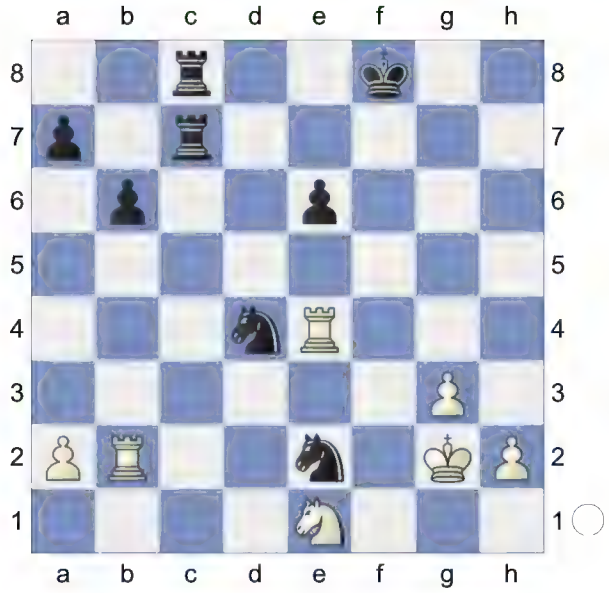
39...Rec7! -1.83/18

[⩲39...Rd8 -3.06/18 40.Ne5 Nc3 41.Rxd4 Rxd4 42.Ng6+ Kf7 43.Nxe7 Kxe7 44.Rxb7+ Kf6 45.Rxa7 Rd2+ 46.Kg1 Nxa2 *(46...Rxa2? 47.Rxa2 Nxa2 48.Kg2-+)*]

40.Ne1? -4.54/21 This is how I won back an exchange but his position was still winning with the remaining material due to the queenside majority.

[40.Nf4 -1.83/18 Rc2 *(40...Nxf4+? 41.Rxf4+ Nf5 42.g4-+* Pin *)* 41.Nxe6+ Nxe6 42.Rxe2 Rxb2 Remove Defender 43.Rxb2]

40...b6-+

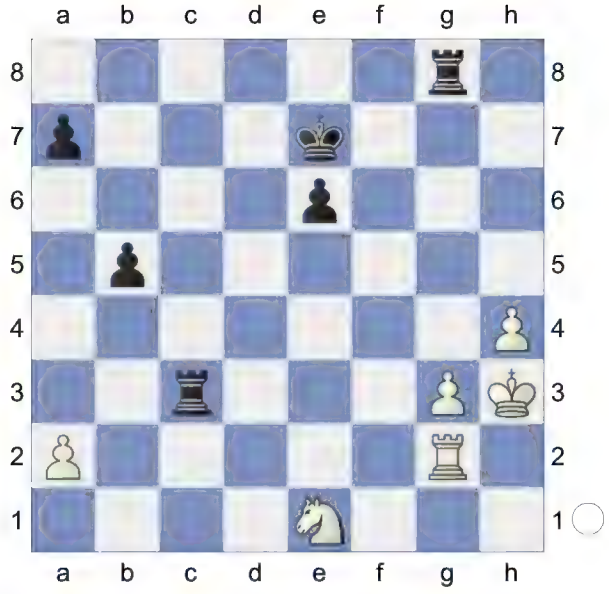


41.Rexe2 Nxe2 42.Rxe2

Endgame KRR-KRN **42...Rc3 43.h4**

[An exchange of rooks should be avoided at any cost: 43.Rxe6 Re8?]

43...Ke7 44.Kh3 Rg8! 45.Rg2 b5-+

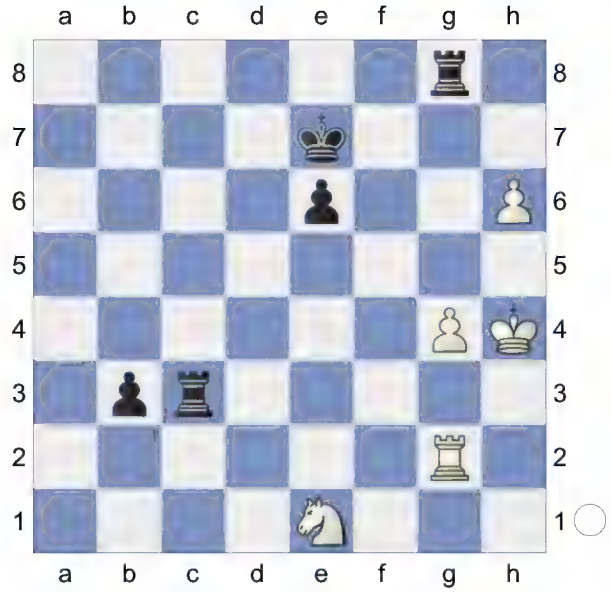


46.h5 I decided not to move the knight.

[46.Nc2 a5 47.Nd4 b4 48.Nb5 Rc4-+]

46...b4 47.Kh4 a5 48.g4 a4 49.h6 b3

50.axb3 axb3



51.g5 -8.19/19
[⌓51.Rb2 -5.09/19]
51...Re3! This great move conceivably terminates the game. **52.Rg1**
[52.g6 Rxe1 53.g7 Kf6-+]
[52.h7 Rh8 53.g6
A) 53...Rxe1!? 54.Kg5 Rh1 Hoping for ...Rh8-b8. 55.Rb2 *(55.g7 R1xh7 56.gxh8Q Rxh8 57.Rb2 Rb8-+)* 55...Rb8-+;
B) 53...Kf6-+]
[52.Rb2 Rxe1 53.Rxb3 Rh1+]
52...b2 53.Ng2 Re4+ 54.Kh5 Re5 55.h7 Rgxg5+

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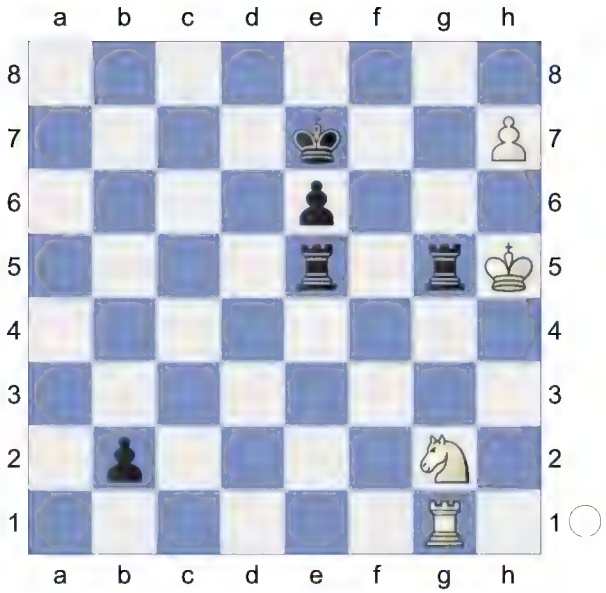
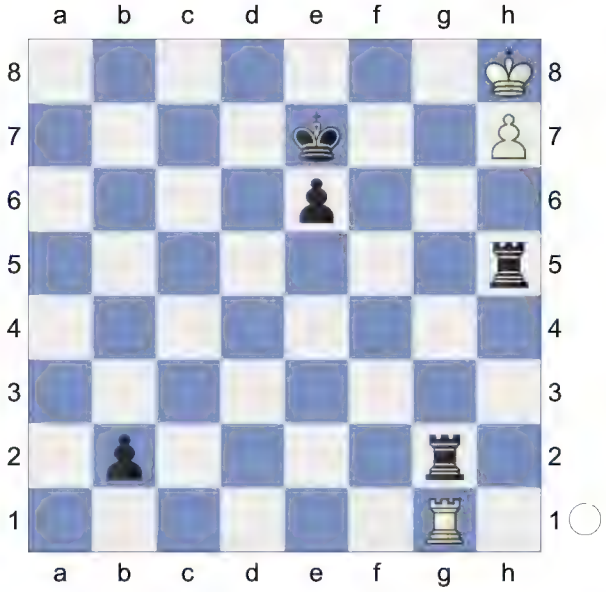


56.Kh6 Rh5+ 57.Kg7 Reg5+ 58.Kh8 Rxg2N



Promotion. Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/Black=0.09 (flawless) This result secured Ulibin's first place and kicked me down to 10th.
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91 **D02**
□ **Makarian,Rudik** **2550**
■ **Jacobson,Aaron** **2390**
Titled Tue 17. Sep Late (11) 17.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

B13: Caro-Kann: Exchange Variation and Panov-Botvinnik Attack **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 cxd4 5.exd4 g6**

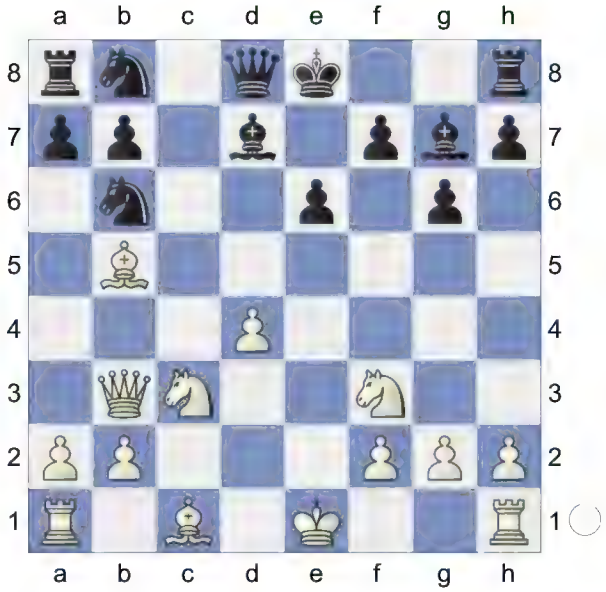
6.cxd5 Nxd5! The main line 6...Nxd5 scores better than 6...Bg7. Die Hauptvariante 6...Sxd5 punktet besser als 6...Lg7. **7.Bc4 Bg7 8.Qb3** The position is equal. was the old line (8.0-0). war die alte Variante (8.0-0). **8...e6 9.Nc3**

[9.Bg5 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qd8 11.Bg5 Qd6 12.Bxd5 Qxd5 13.Qa3 f6 14.Be3 Nc6 15.Nc3 Qc4 16.Rc1 Bf8 17.Qa4 Qxa4 18.Nxa4 Bb4+ 19.Nc3 Kf7 20.0-0 Rd8 21.a3 Ba5 22.Rfd1 Ne7 23.Nb5 a6 0-1 Lopez Abreu,M (2038)-Papayan,O (2183) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Sep Early blitz 2024 (2)]

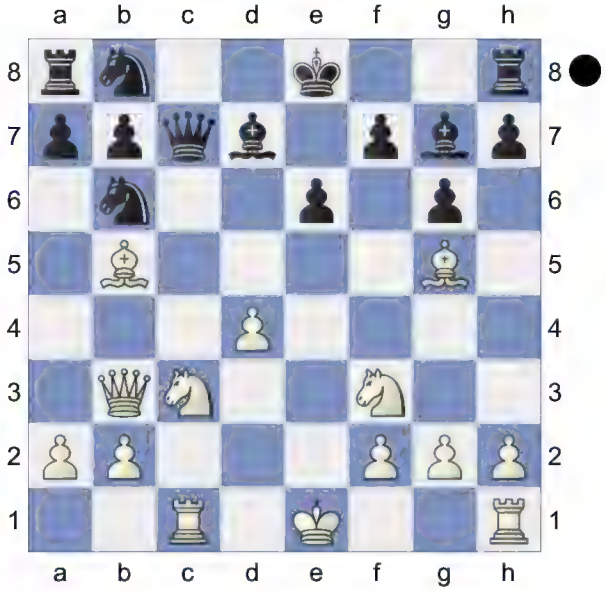
9...Nb6N 0.70/21

[9...Nxc3= 0.00/17 10.bxc3 0-0 11.Bf4 Nc6 12.Bb5 e5 13.dxe5 Bg4 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.0-0 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Qd3 17.c4 Qf5 18.Qe3 Rfe8 19.Rfe1 Re6 20.Bg3 Bxe5 21.Bxe5 Rae8 22.f4 f6 23.Qxa7 fxe5 24.fxe5 Qg5+ 25.Kf1 Qf4 ½-½ Jaulneau,C (2551)-Povchanic,D (2529) WC26/ final ICCF 2010]

10.Bb5+ Bd7



11.Bg5 Qc7 12.Rc1



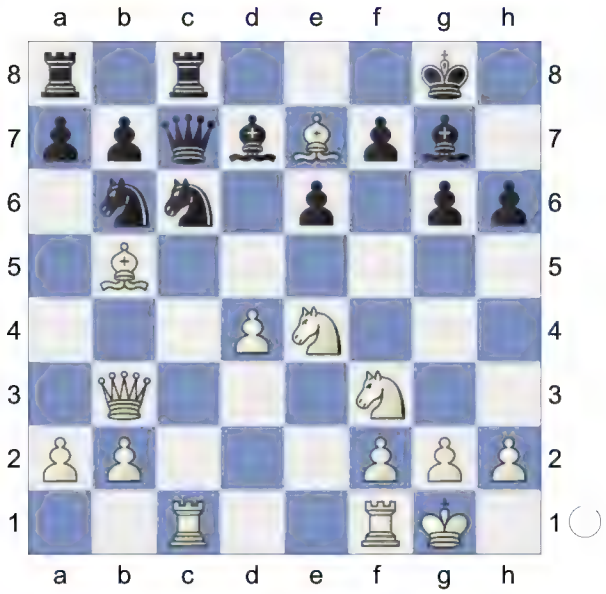
Nc6 13.0-0 0-0 14.Ne4 h6N

[14...Nd5 15.Bc4 Qb6 16.Qxb6

-0.26/20 *(16.Bxd5* 0.11/19 *exd5 17.Nf6+ Bxf6 18.Bxf6)* 16...axb6 17.Rfd1 h6 18.Be3 Rfd8 19.Nc3 Nce7 0.01/22 *(19...Nxc3∓* -0.39/19 deserves consideration. *20.bxc3 Ne7)* 20.Nxd5= Nxd5 21.Bxd5 exd5 ½-½ Olano Aizpurua,J (2252)-Viakofsky,P W-Cup12 Gr093 corr 2000]

15.Be7 Black must now prevent Be7-d6.

15...Rfc8!



16.Bd6 Qd8 17.Bf4 -0.74/20

[17.Be5= -0.17/18]

17...Nd5 18.Bxc6 -2.89/22 Loses the game.

[18.Be5∓ -0.46/21]

18...Nxf4-+

[18...Bxc6 19.Bg3∓]

19.Bb5 Dodges Nf4-e2+ **19...Bxb5 20.Qxb5 Qd5**

[Stronger than 20...Bxd4 21.Rcd1 e5 22.Nxd4 exd4 23.Rfe1=]

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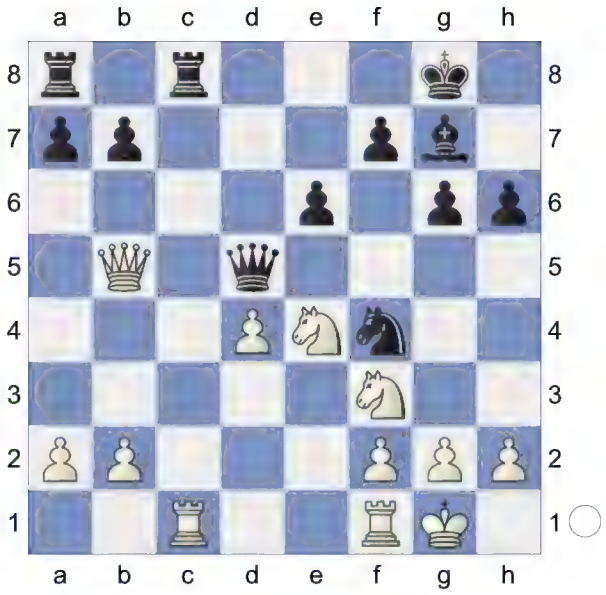
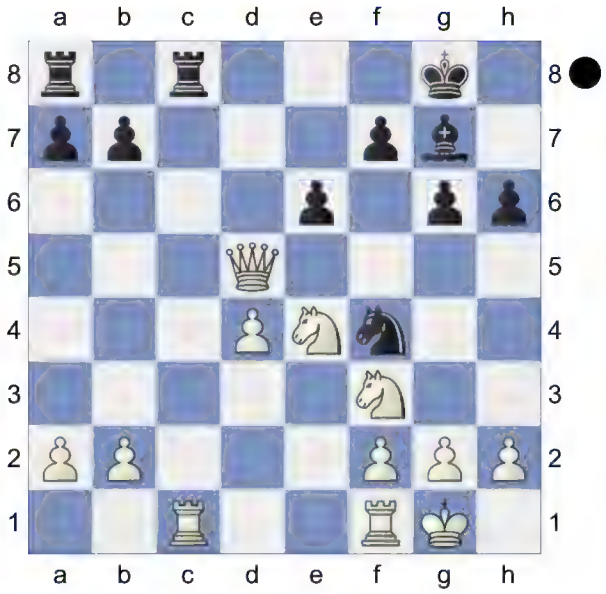


Deflection **21.Qxd5?** -6.14/21

[21.Rxc8+ -2.60/21 Rxc8 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Nd6]



21...Ne2+!

[Weaker is 21...exd5 22.Nc3∓]

[21...Nxd5 22.g3∓]

22.Kh1 Rxc1

[22...exd5 23.Rxc8+ Rxc8 24.Nd6∓]

23.Rxc1 exd5 24.Rc7 dxe4 25.Nd2 Bxd4

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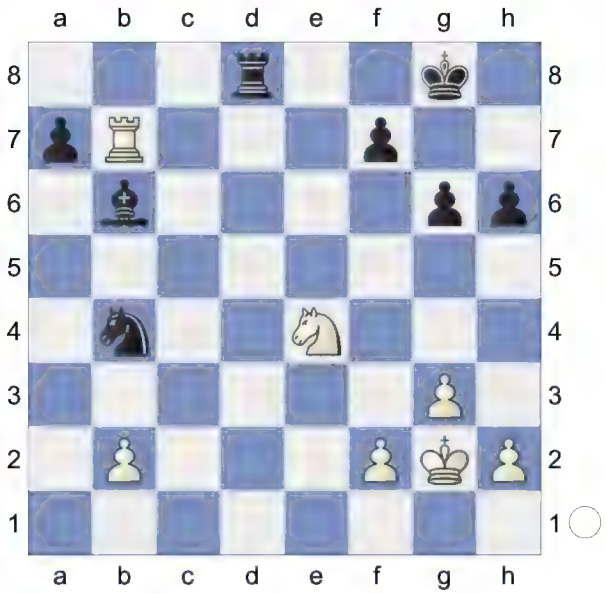
26.Nxe4 Bb6 27.Re7 Rd8 28.g3 Nc1 29.Rxb7 Nxa2 30.Kg2 Nb4



31.h4 Nd3 32.f4 Nc5 33.Nxc5 Bxc5 Endgame KRB-KR **34.Kf3 Bb6 35.g4 Kg7**

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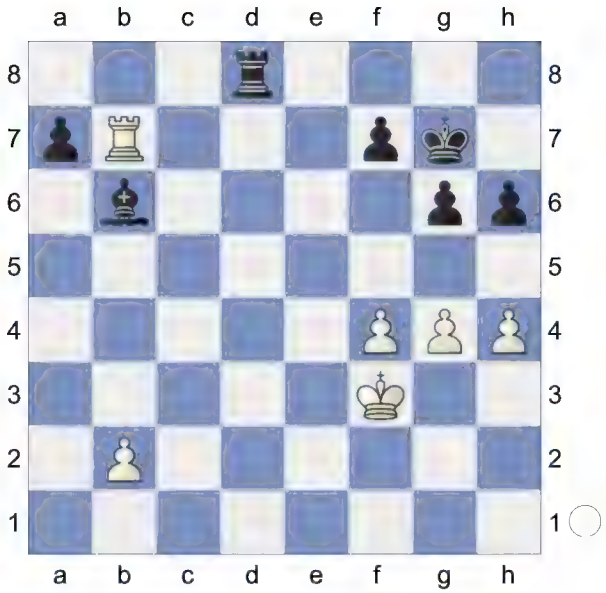
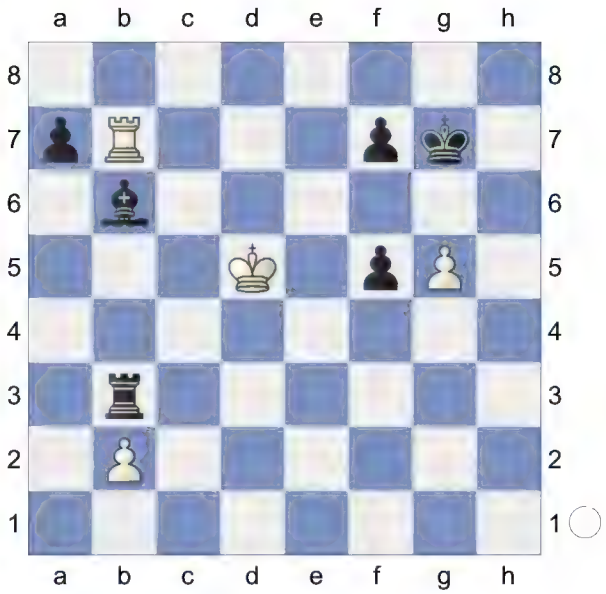


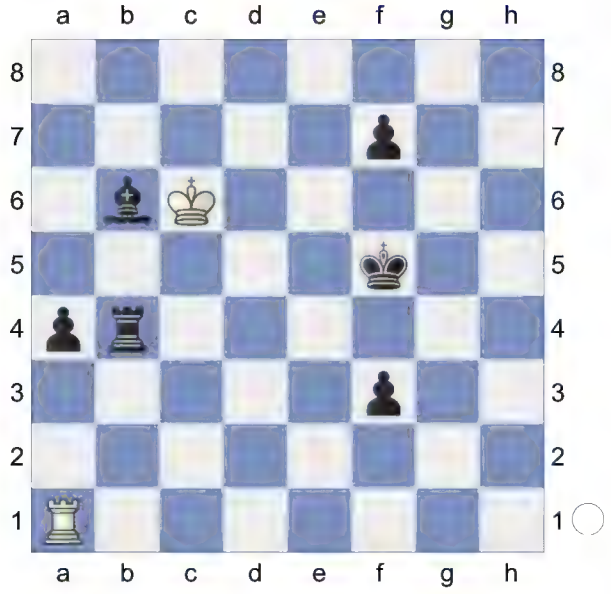
36.g5 hxg5 37.hxg5 Rd3+ 38.Ke4 Re3+ 39.Kd5 Rb3 40.f5 gxf5



41.Ke5 Kg6 -10.67/23
[⌓41...Bd4+ -#16/22 42.Kxf5 Rxb7 43.Kf4 Rxb2 44.Ke4 Rb4 45.Kd5 a5 46.Kd6 a4 47.Kd5 a3 48.Ke4 a2 49.Kf3 a1Q *(49...a1B? 50.Kg3-+)* 50.Ke4 Qe1+ 51.Kf3 Qf2+ 52.Kg4 Be5+ 53.Kh5 Qh4#]
42.Kd5 Rxb2 43.Rb8 Kxg5 44.Rg8+ Kf6 45.Rh8 a5

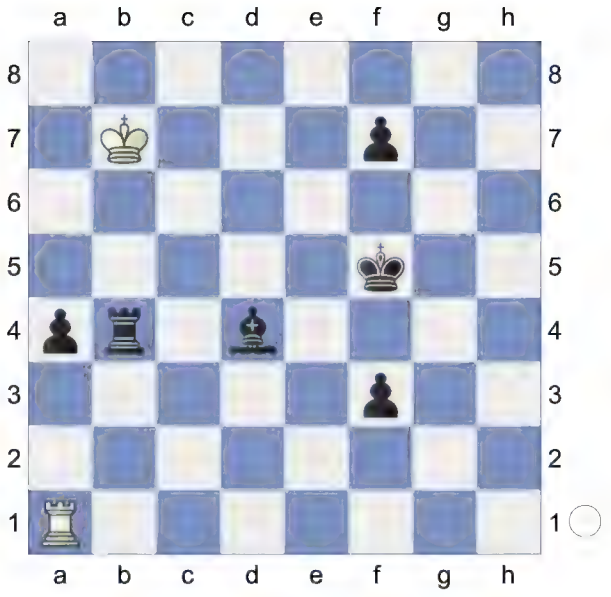
(Diagram)

46.Kc6 a4 47.Rh3 f4 48.Rc3 Kf5
Strongly threatening ...Rb2-b3. **49.Ra3 Rb4 50.Ra1 f3**



(→ ...f3-f2) **51.Kb7 Bd4+**

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/ Black=0.16 (very precise)
0-1

92 **D06**
□ **Ivanov,Se** **2538**
■ **Westerinen,Heikki M.J.** **2382**
Rilton Cup Stockholm SWE (4) 30.12.99
[GM Sergey Ivanov]

The game ran on the 30th of December and was to become the last game of the 1999 year. I wished to finish the year worthy and to play a good and attractive game. Course of the game shows that my partner was overwhelmed with the same feelings. GM Sergey Ivanov: 'The game ran on the 30th of December and was to become the last game of the 1999 year. I wished to finish the year worthy and to play a good and attractive game. Course of the game shows that my partner was overwhelmed with the same feelings.' **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5** A very experienced Finnish grandmaster has been upholding this seldom continuation not without success for several last years. Frankly speaking, at home preparation I hadn't managed to find a way to gain a more or less tangible advantage for White. GM Sergey Ivanov: 'A very experienced Finnish grandmaster has been upholding this seldom continuation not without success for several last years. Frankly speaking, at home preparation I hadn't managed to find a way to gain a more or less tangible advantage for White.' **3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3**

[4.dxc5 Qxd5 5.Qxd5 Nxd5 6.e4 *(6.a3 Nd7 7.b4 a5)* 6...Nb4 7.Na3 e5 8.Nf3 f6 promises White no favour, because a pawn c5 falls a prey of Black pieces. For example, 9.Be3 *(9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bb5 Bxc5 11.Ke2 Ke7!* V.Korchnoi - J.Piket, Antwerpen, 1993 *)* 9...N8a6 10.Bxa6 Nxa6 11.Rc1 Bd7 with idea Rc8 12.Nc4 Bxc5! 1/2, F.Gheorghiu - H. Westerinen, Liechtenstein, 1998.]

[Not till coming back to St.Petersburg, I found out in the latest volume of the "New in Chess Yearbook" (NIC Yearbook, v.52) a paper of Genna Sosonko "Symmetry", in "Sosonko's corner". The grandmaster offers to play 4.e4! Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5 6.Nf3 *(6.Nc3±* Seemingly, this reply is optimal for White, but 6. Nf3 $1 is more exact, for 6. Nc3 permits *e5!? 7.Nf3 Bd6 8.Nd2 0-0 9.Nc4 Bf5 10.Be2 Ne4 11.Bd2 Bc5 12.0-0 Nd7* J.Yrjola - H.Westerinen, Vantaa, 1999. Curiously, the right way was showed two rounds later at the game E. Gleizerov - H.Westerinen, Stockholm, 2000: after*)* 6...e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5 Qxd5 *(* to keep queens is even worse: *8...Qe7+ 9.Be3 Nc6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.0-0 Ne6 12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.Qxe5 Bxb5 14.Nxb5 a6 15.Rad1! Rd8 16.Bb6 Rxd1 17.Rxd1 f6 18.Qf5 g6 19.Nc7+ Kf7 20.Qd5* 1-0, L.Portisch - D.Bronstein, Monte Carlo, 1969*)* 9.Nxd5 Nba6 10.Bb5+ Bd7 11.Bxd7+ Nxd7 12.0-0 f6 13.Be3 Kf7 14.Rfd1 Black got a very unpleasant ending. Unloading Bc5 15.Nc7! Rad8 16.Nxa6 Bxe3 17.fxe3 bxa6 18.Rac1 Nb6 19.Rc7+ Kg6 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.Rxa7 White won a pawn and the game shortly after.]

4...cxd4 5.Qxd4

[5.Nxd4 Nxd5 *(5...a6!?* see in NIC Yearbook 52, "Sosonko's corner". *)*]

5...Qxd5

(Diagram)

6.Nc3 Qa5

[That day my opponent evidently didn't want to play a boring ending, which could appear after 6...Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 and after long thinking he preferred to continue the struggle with queens. It's not excluded that his choice was influenced by the result of the recent game A.Kuzmin - H.Westerinen, Andorra, 1999, where White had showed a fresh idea:

A) 8.Bg5 Nbd7 *(8...e5 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nc2±; 8...e6 9.g3±)* 9.g3 *(* interesting is also the idea of G. Levenfish *9.0-0-0!?)* 9...h6 10.Be3 e5 11.Nb3 b6 O.Romanishin - E. Prandstetter, Moscow, 1977 12.Bg2±;

B) 8.g3 Bd7 9.Bg2 e5 10.Nf3!? 10. Nb3 and 10. Nc2 see in "Sosonko's corner". By 10. Nf3 White prevents from his strong "Catalanian" bishop trade Bc6 11.0-0 Nbd7 12.b3 g6 13.Bb2 Bg7 14.Rac1 0-0 15.Rc2 Rfe8 16.Nd2 now it's time to trade light-square bishops Bxg2 17.Kxg2 Rac8 18.Rfc1 Nb6 19.a4± keeping annoying pressure. I'd known that game and had intended to choose between 8. g3 and the less explored 8. Bg5 !?]

7.b4! Suddenly it turns out that black queen feels itself uncomfortably. Here my partner spent much time again and took an unhappy decision. GM Sergey Ivanov: '!' GM Sergey Ivanov: 'Suddenly it turns out that black queen feels itself uncomfortably. Here my partner spent much time again and took an unhappy decision.' **7...e5?** GM Sergey Ivanov: '?'

[7...Qb6 8.Qxb6 axb6 9.Bb2 is of little attraction, for black queenside pawns are very weak. It was necessary to recede to the opposite side -]

[7...Qh5 I remembered that theory advises 8.Ne5! preserving the queen from attack Nc6, but further my knowledge stopped. While my opponent was thinking, I studied the most annoying (to my mind) reply

A) 8...Nbd7 9.f4!?;

B) 8...Bd7 9.b5!;

C) 8...Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.e4 e5 11.Qc4 Bd7 12.Be3 Qg4 *(12...a5!?; 12...Ng4!?)* 13.a3± B.Gelfand - P.Wolff, Wijk aan Zee, 1993, but in no way could evaluate the lunge;

D) 8...Nfd7!? 9.Nd5 *(*Gelfand recommended *9.Nxd7 Bxd7 10.b5!?↑)* 9...Qxe5 *(9...Na6!?)* 10.Qxe5 Nxe5 11.Nc7+ Kd8 12.Nxa8 Only after placing this position on a board at home, I realized that it's in favour of White. An "electronic friend" also says that White "has decisive advantage".]

8.Qc4!? GM Sergey Ivanov: '!?'

[White put himself to unwarrantable risk. But I wanted very much to keep up the fighting mood of my partner and to play "battle" chess, although I saw that I could gain a quiet ending with an extra pawn by 8.bxa5 exd4 9.Nb5! Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Bxd2+ 11.Nxd2 Nd5 12.Nxd4 Nc6 13.Nxc6 bxc6]

8...Bxb4 3.18/21

[Black has no choice - both 8...Be6? 4.12/22 8...Qa5-d8 2.03 9.Qxe6++-]

[and 8...Qd8? 9.Ng5! Qd7 10.Nxf7!+- are entirely bad.]

[⌓8...Qd8 1.96/24]

9.Qxc8++- Ke7 10.Qxh8

[10.Qxb7+? -5.25/21 10.Qc8xh8 3.78 Nbd7 11.Bd2 and Nf3xe5! should not be overlooked Bxc3-+]

10...Bxc3+

11.Bd2 Ne4

[11...e4? 6.42/20 11...Qa5-b4 3.09 12.Rc1]

12.Rd1 White has defended all his weak points and is ready to start development - e3, Bd3 etc. Pay attention to the strong position of the queen on h8 - it holds black pieces of the queenside and doesn't let them to enter play. GM Sergey Ivanov: 'White has defended all his weak points and is ready to start development - e3, Bd3 etc. Pay attention to the strong position of the queen on h8 - it holds black pieces of the queenside and doesn't let them to enter play.'

12...Nc6 8.28/19

[Now White wins forcely. It's easy to win in the case of 12...Bxd2+? 6.21/23 12...Qa5-b6 2.44 13.Nxd2 Nc3 14.Nc4 Qc7 Wards off Qh8-c8 15.Ne3+-]

[12...Nd7 sets much more complex tasks, for White would have been to find several only moves: 13.Qxa8 Qb6 *(13...Nxd2 7.49/21 13...Qa5-b6 4.60 14.Nxd2 Qxa2 15.f3+-)* 14.e3 Nxd2 15.Nxd2 2.51/21 *(* it may be, that it's simpler to return a part of the extra material but to develop the kingside *15.Bd3!? Nxf3+ 16.Ke2+-; ⌓15.Bd3* 4.45/22 *Nxf3+ 16.Kf1 Nd2+ 17.Kg1)* 15...Bxd2++- 16.Rxd2 Qb1+

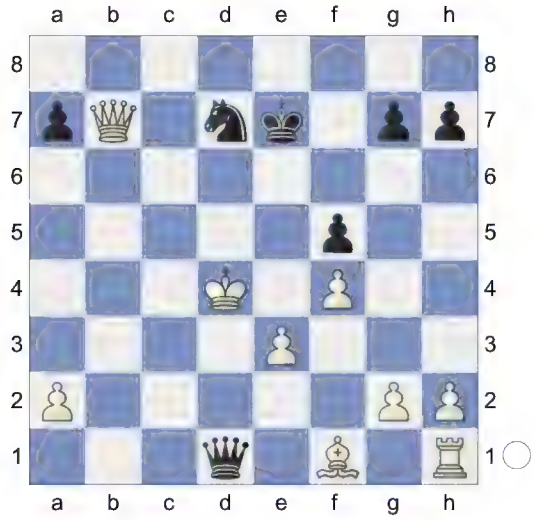
A) it is necessary to empty the square d2, drawn is 17.Ke2 Qb5+ 18.Kf3? -0.01/17 *(18.Rd3+-* 3.08/23 *e4* Pin *19.f4)* 18...e4+!= 19.Kxe4 Nf6+ 20.Kf4 Nh5+ 21.Kf3 Qf5+! 22.Ke2 Nf4+! 23.exf4 Qe4+ with a perpetual check;

B) 17.Rd1! Qb4+ 18.Ke2! Qb5+ 19.Kf3? 0.01/20 *(* White should play *19.Rd3+-* 2.81/23 *e4* Pin *20.f4)* 19...e4+!= 20.Kxe4 Qe5+! 2.41/28 *(20...Nf6+??* 8.93/23 20...Qb5-c6+ 0.01 *21.Kf4! g5+ 22.Kf3 Qf5+ 23.Ke2 Qb5+ 24.Rd3 Qb2+ 25.Kf3!; 20...Qc6+=* 0.01/26 and Black is okay. *21.Kd4 Qd6+ 22.Kc3 Qxd1)* 21.Kd3!+- *(21.Kf3?* 0.01/31 21.Ke4-d3 4.29 *Qf6+ 22.Ke2 Qb2+)*

B1) 21...Qb5+? 6.96/28

21...Qe5-d5+ 2.55 22.Kc3! Qa5+ 23.Kb3! Threatening mate with Rd1xd7+!. Qb6+ *(23...Nc5+ 24.Kc4!)* 24.Bb5! Qxb5+ 25.Kc2+-;

B2) 21...Qd5+ 22.Kc3! it's inevitable to return a rook, otherwise the game ends with a perpetual check Qxd1 23.Qxb7 Qc1+ 24.Kd3 Qd1+ 25.Ke4 Qg4+ 26.f4 f5+ 27.Kd4! Qd1+



28.Bd3! Qxh1 29.Qb4+ Ke8 30.Bxf5+-]

[⌓12...Nxd2 4.31/21 13.Nxd2 Qxa2]

13.Qxa8+- Qb6 14.e3 Nxd2 15.Nxd2 Now White has no need moves like 15. Bd3 GM Sergey Ivanov: 'Now White has no need moves like 15. Bd3' **15...Bxd2+**

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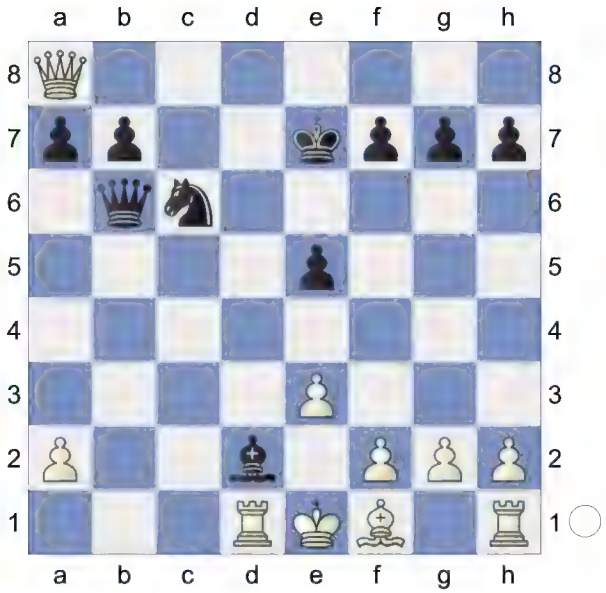


16.Rxd2 Qb1+ 17.Ke2 Qb5+

[17...Nd4+ 18.Rxd4! *(with a trap 18.exd4?* -0.01/17 18.Rd2xd4 8.98 *Qe4+)* 18...exd4 19.Qc8+-]

18.Kf3 e4+ 19.Kg4! GM Sergey Ivanov: '!'

[In contrast to the variant with 12... Nd7 now this move is possible, for Black has no resource Nd7-f6. Meanwhile, erroneous is 19.Kxe4? Qe5+

20.Kd3! *(20.Kf3?* -0.01/22 20.Ke4-d3 8.15 *Qf5+! 21.Ke2 Qb5+!)* 20...Qd5+ 21.Kc3 Qa5+ and the white king can't hide from a

perpetual check.]

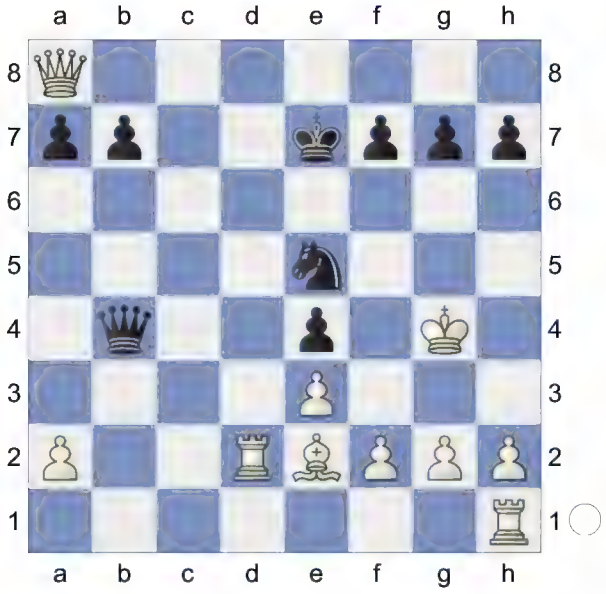
19...Qb4

[19...Ne5+ 20.Kg3 Nd3 21.h4+-]

[19...h5+ 20.Kh4 g5+ 21.Kxh5 Qf5 22.Qxb7+ Kf8 23.Qxc6+-]

20.Be2 The simplest. GM Sergey Ivanov: 'The simplest.' **20...Ne5+**

[20...Qxd2 21.Qxb7+ Kd6 22.Rd1+-]



21.Kg3 Qxd2 22.Rd1! GM Sergey Ivanov: '!' **22...Qxe2 23.Qd8+** Now it is the black king who appears in a mating net, and his white wis-a-wis takes the very active part in the former's capture. GM Sergey Ivanov: 'Now it is the black king who appears in a mating net, and his white wis-a-wis takes the very active part in the former's capture.' **23...Ke6 24.Rd6+ Kf5 25.Qc8+ Kg5**

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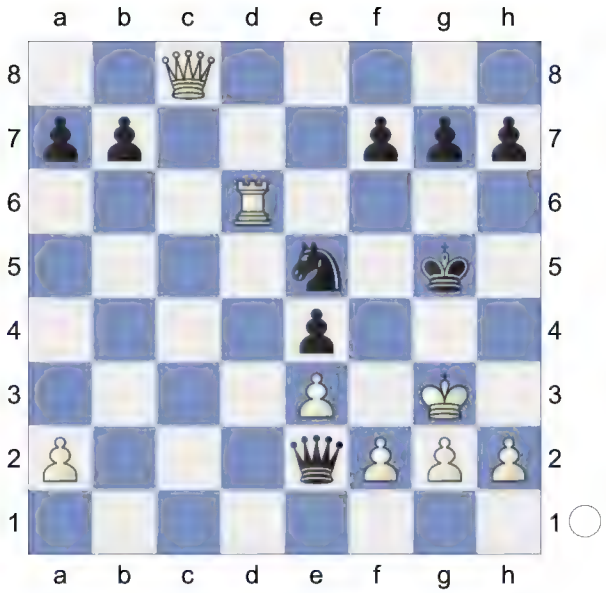
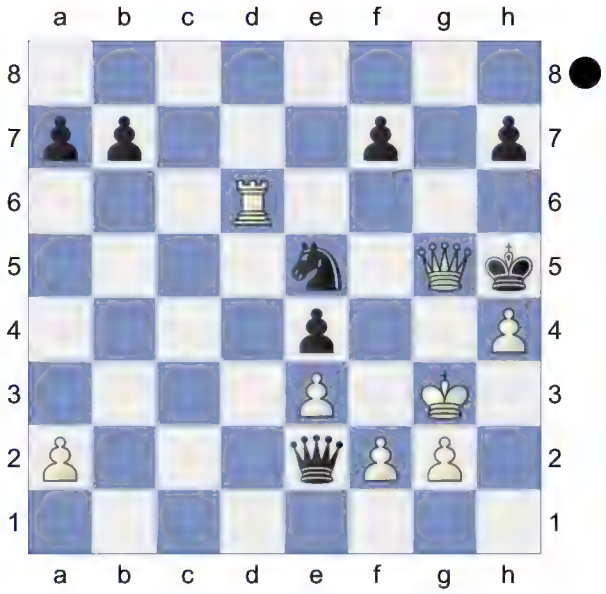


Black resigned, not awaiting for GM Sergey Ivanov: 'Black resigned, not awaiting for' **26.h4+ Kh5 27.Qf5+ g5 28.Qxg5#**



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93 **A34**
□ **Braun,Arik** **2538**
■ **Efimenko,Zahar** **2683**
Bundesliga 1011 (15.3) 10.04.2011
[Kitty Kat]

A34: Symmetrical English: 2 Nc3, lines with ...d5 **1.d4** Meyer,Claus Dieter Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Meyer,CD Meyer, CD' **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.Nc3**
[3.cxd5 Meyer,Claus Dieter Nf6 4.e4 *(4.Nf3)* 4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5 6.Nf3 *(6.Nc3 e5)* 6...e6+- 7.Nc3]
3...Nf6
[3...cxd4 4.Qxd4 e6 5.cxd5 Nc6 6.Qa4 exd5 7.e3 Nf6 8.Nf3 Bd6 9.Bb5 0-0 10.Bxc6 bxc6 11.Qxc6 Rb8 12.Qa4 Rb4 13.Qd1 Ba6 14.a3 Rb8 15.Nd4 Ne4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Ne2 Rb5 18.0-0 0-1 Dong,B (2227)-Mamedyarov,S (2770) Chess.com Bullet Open 1 2020 (1)]
4.Nf3
[4.cxd5 Meyer,Claus Dieter Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3!+- 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5]
4...cxd4
[4...e6 Meyer,Claus Dieter]
5.Nxd5N
[5.Nxd4 e5 6.Nf3 d4 7.Nxe5 dxc3 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8 9.Nxf7+ Ke8 10.Nxh8 Bb4 11.b3 Bf5 12.f3 Nc6 13.e4 Be6 14.Be3 Ke7 15.a3 Bd6 16.Bd3 Rxh8 17.Ke2 Rd8 18.h3 Nh5 19.Rhd1 Nf4+ 0-1 Chaury,F (2183)-Konson,K (2251) Baden VLS 0203 2002 (9.4)]
5...Nxd5

(Diagram)

6.cxd5 Qxd5 7.Qxd4 Qxd4 8.Nxd4 The position is equal. **8...a6**
[8...Bd7 Meyer,Claus Dieter 9.e4 *(9.Bf4+- Nc6)* 9...Nc6 10.Be3 Δ♘ e3+- *(10.Nb5 Rc8)* 10...e5 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.f3 Bb4+ 13.Kf2 0-0 14.Bc4 Rfd8 15.Rhd1 Kf8 16.Ke2 b6 17.Rxd8+ Rxd8 18.Rd1 Rxd1+- 19.Kxd1 h5 20.Ke2 Ke7 21.a3 Bd6 22.Kd3 f6 23.Kc3 g5 24.b4 Bd7 25.Kd3 Kd8 26.Ke2 Be8 27.Kf2 Kc7 28.g3 a5 29.Bd2 axb4 30.axb4 Kc6 Plan Sf5 31.h3 Bg6 32.g4 h4 33.Ke3 Be8 34.Kd3 Kc7 35.Kc3 Ba4 36.Be2 Kc6 37.Kb2 Bf8 38.Be1! Bd6 39.Bd2 Bf8 40.Be1 Bd6 41.Bd2+- und Schwarz ist überlastet Bf8 42.Be1 Bd6 43.Bd2 Be7 44.Be1 Bd6]
9.g3 e5 10.Nb3
[10.Nf3 Meyer,Claus Dieter Nc6 Δ♖ a2-+ 11.Bg2? Be7 *(11...Bb4+* Diagramm

(Diagram)

(Analyse) mit zahlreichen, z.T. komplexen Möglichkeiten.
Tatsächlich scheint der Angriff in jedem Fall durchzudringen. Hier einige nachspielenswerte, wuchtige (Computer-)Varianten. Weiß droht beispielsweise 37.Lh5 (auch 37.Sg3) 37...Sde5 38.Sg3 Sg6 39.Lxg6 Dxg6 40.Ld4 Sh6 (40...e3 41.Sf5; 40...Sd6 41. Sh5 oder 41.Dh8+) 41.Sh5 usw. *12.Bd2 0-0 13.Bxb4 Nxb4 14.0-0 f6 15.a3 Nc6 16.Rfd1 Be6+- 17.Rac1 Rfd8)* 12.0-0 0-0 13.e4 f6-+ 14.Be3 war erforderlich, und nun z.B.: Be6 15.b3 Nb4]

[10.Nc2 Meyer,Claus Dieter Bd7 11.Bg2 Bc6 12.0-0 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Nc6 14.Rd1 Bc5 15.Rd5 Ba7 16.Be3 Rd8 17.Rad1+- Rxd5 18.Rxd5 Bxe3 19.Nxe3 Ke7]

10...Bd7

[10...Nc6 Meyer,Claus Dieter 11.Bg2 Bd7 12.0-0 0-0-0 13.Be3 Kb8 14.Rfd1= Be8?? 15.Bb6! Rxd1+ 16.Rxd1]

[10...Bb4+ Meyer,Claus Dieter 11.Bd2! Bxd2+ 12.Nxd2+- *(12.Kxd2 Bd7 13.Bg2 Bc6∓)* 12...Be6 13.Bg2 Nd7

A) 14.Bxb7 Rb8 15.Bxa6 Rxb2 16.a4 *(16.Nc4 Rc2! 17.Ne3 Rxa2)* 16...Ke7 17.Bb5 Ra8 18.Rb1 *(oder 18.Rc1 Nb6)* 18...Rc8∓;

B) 14.0-0 Jedoch nicht 14...Ke7? wegen 15.Rfc1!∓ *(15.Nb3 Rac8 16.Bxb7 Rc2)* Schwarzen Vorteil behauptet hätte dagegen 15...Rac8 16.Bxb7 Rxc1+ 17.Rxc1 Rb8 18.Bxa6 Rxb2! und nun:]

11.Bg2 Bb4+

[11...Bc6 Meyer,Claus Dieter und Schwarz hat nichts Besseres als 12.0-0 , worauf Weiß wiederum Dauerschach geben kann und muß!
Man sehe: Bxg2= 13.Kxg2 Nd7 14.Be3 Bd6 15.Rfd1 Ke7= 16.Rd3?? Bc7!+- 17.Rc1 Rhc8 18.Rdc3 Kd8]

12.Kf1

[12.Bd2 Meyer,Claus Dieter]

12...Bc6 0.65/22

[Black should try 12...Nc6= 0.12/21]

13.Be3± a5

[13...Bxg2+ Meyer,Claus Dieter 14.Kxg2 Nc6 15.Rhd1]

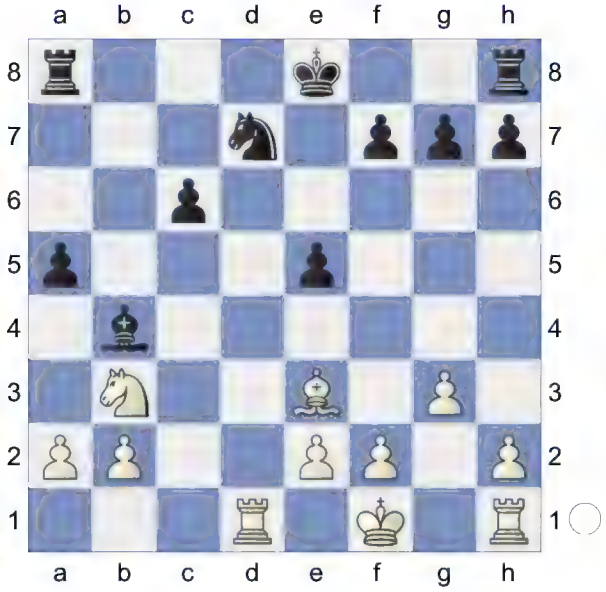
14.Rd1 0.32/20

[14.a3± 0.77/21 Be7 15.Bd2]

14...Nd7 0.85/23

[Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Oder' 14...a4± 0.32/20 15.Nc5 Bxc5 16.Bxc6 e4]

15.Bxc6± White leaves nothing to chance now. **15...bxc6**



16.Kg2 a4 17.Nd2 0-0-0 1.79/22

[17...Ke7± 0.84/20]

[17...Bxd2 Meyer,Claus Dieter 18.Rxd2! und angesichts der Drohungen ♗xe5 und ♗b4+ wäre Schwarz verloren.]

18.Nc4+- f6 19.Rd3 Nb8 20.Nb6+ Kc7

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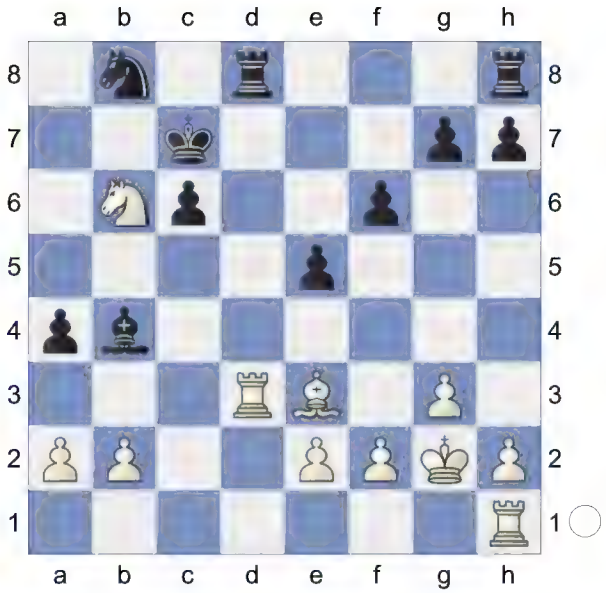

21.Rxd8

[21.Nxa4 Rxd3 22.exd3 g5]

21...Rxd8 22.Nxa4 Rd5 2.27/22

[22...Nd7± 1.57/21 23.Rc1 Be7]

23.Nb6

[23.a3! Meyer,Claus Dieter]

23...Rb5

24.Nc4 Bc5 25.Bd2

[25.Bxc5?? Meyer,Claus Dieter Rxc5 Bloß nicht 26.b3?? wegen]

25...Bb4

(Diagram)

26.Bc1

[26.Bxb4 Meyer,Claus Dieter Rxb4 27.b3]

26...Rd5 2.15/19 Meyer,Claus Dieter: '∞'

[26...Be7 1.73/20 keeps fighting. 27.f4 Nd7 28.fxe5 Nxe5 29.Nxe5 fxe5]

27.b3 Nd7 28.Be3 Bc5 29.Bd2 Nb6

...Nb6xc4 would now be deadly. Meyer, Claus Dieter: '?' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Zu unentschlossen, nun nimmt Weiß das Heft in die Hand!' **30.Ba5 Kb7**

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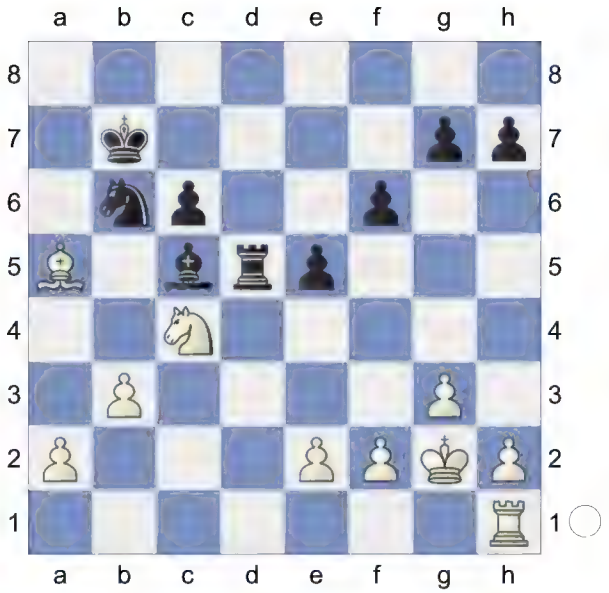
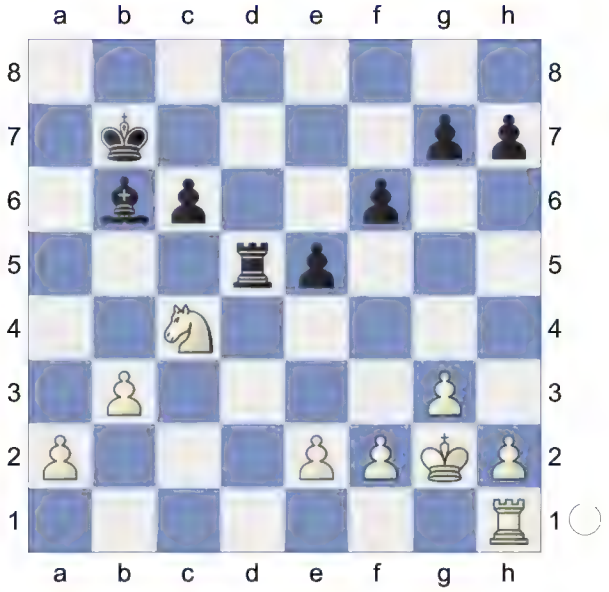
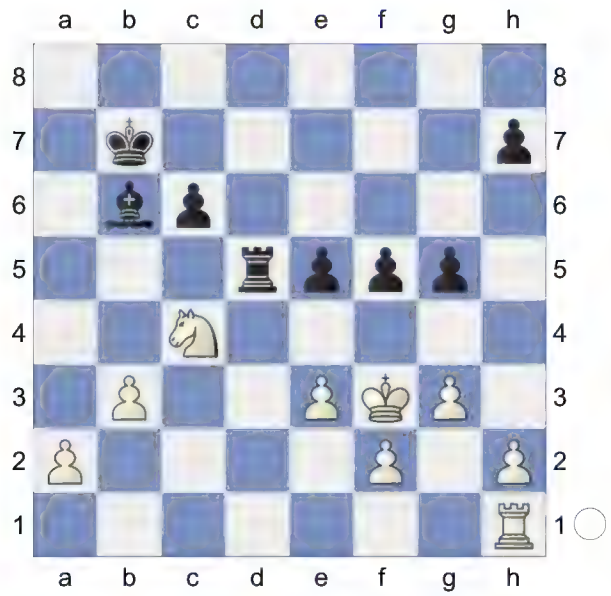


31.Bxb6 Bxb6 Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. Meyer,Claus Dieter: '?' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Diagramm



' **32.Kf3** Meyer,Claus Dieter: '!!' Meyer, Claus Dieter: 'Der ehemalige Jugendweltmeister läßt sein großes Talent aufblitzen. Der mutige, chancenreiche Textzug ist ein fulminantes, spekulatives Turmopfer zwecks Freilegung des Schlüsselpunktes f6 und nachhaltiger Schwächung der feindlichen Königsstellung ! ' **32...f5 33.e3 g5**

2.66/22 Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Diagramm
[⌓33...e4+ 1.63/20 34.Ke2 Bc7]



' **34.Ke2** Meyer,Claus Dieter: '??' Meyer, Claus Dieter: 'Verdirbt die bislang prächtige Angriffsleistung.' **34...e4** Meyer,Claus Dieter: '?' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Ein postwendender Fehler, worauf Weiß das Remis erzwingen kann.
' **35.h4 f4** 3.85/24
[⌓35...g4 2.52/24 Meyer,Claus Dieter: '=' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'wäre aus dem Kampfgetümmel keiner als Sieger hervorgegangen.' 36.Rd1 Meyer,Claus Dieter: '?' Bc5]
[35...h6 Meyer,Claus Dieter 36.hxg5□ hxg5 37.Rh7+ Bc7= und nach dem weiteren 38.g4! f4 *(38...fxg4 39.Re7)* 39.Re7]

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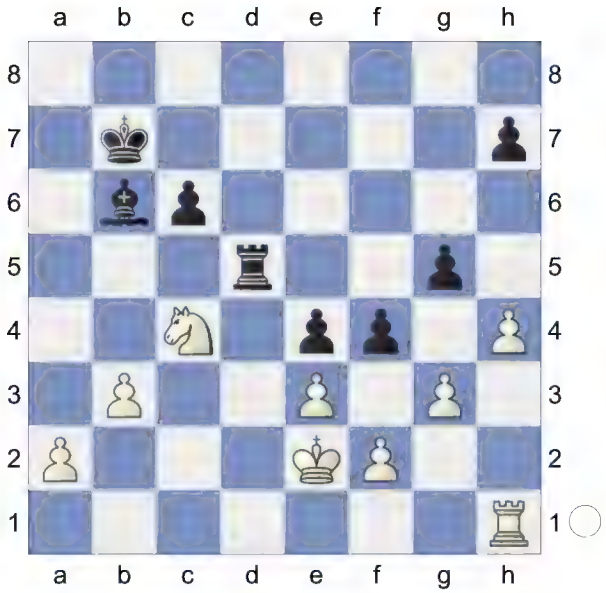
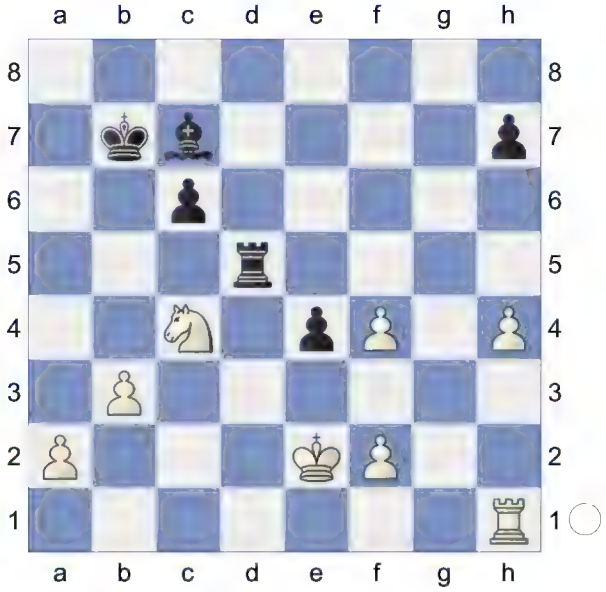


36.gxf4 gxf4 37.exf4 Bc7
Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Diagramm



' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Was nun ? ' **38.Ke3** Meyer,Claus Dieter: '??' Meyer, Claus Dieter: 'Erliegt kurz vor der Zeitkontrolle einer Verführung: Darauf hat der glückliche Verteidiger zwar nur eine Parade, aber die ist mehr als ausreichend!' **38...Rf5** Meyer,Claus Dieter: '-+ □ ' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Wonach sämtliche Angriffsbemühungen ins Leere laufen. ' **39.Ne5 Bxe5 40.fxe5 Rxe5**

KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **41.Rg1** Black must now prevent Rg1-g7+.

41...h6? 3.75/22

[41...Ra5 2.17/23 42.Rg7+ *(42.Kxe4 Rxa2 43.Rg7+ Kb6+-)* 42...Kb6]

42.Rg6 Rh5 43.Rg4

[43.Kxe4 Meyer,Claus Dieter: '-+' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Dem tapferen Angreifer ist auf die Schnelle folgende forcierte Remisabwicklung entgangen:' Rxh4+ Meyer,Claus Dieter: '□' 44.f4 Rh2=]

43...Ra5 Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'und Weiß gab.' Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'Nach' **44.a4** Meyer,Claus Dieter: 'könnte folgen:'

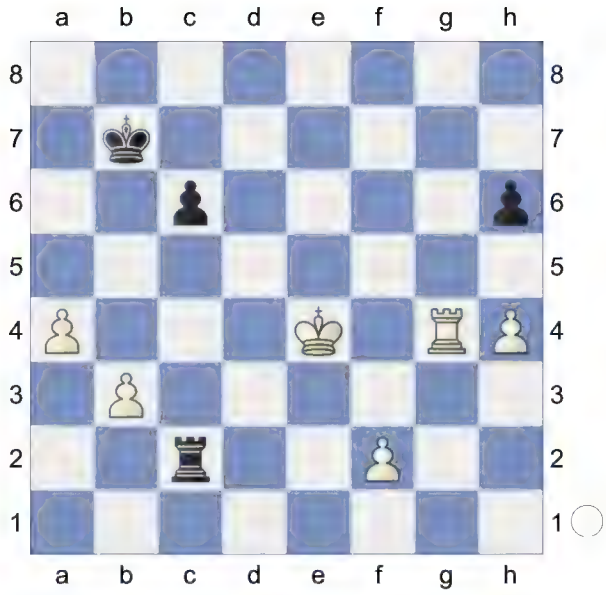
[44.Kxe4 Rxa2 45.f4 Ra5+-]

44...Rc5 45.Kxe4 White is clearly winning.

[Less strong is 45.Rxe4 Rc3+ 46.Kd4 Rxb3±]

45...Rc2

(Diagram)



46.f4 Meyer,Claus Dieter: '-+' **46...Rc3** 10.70/21

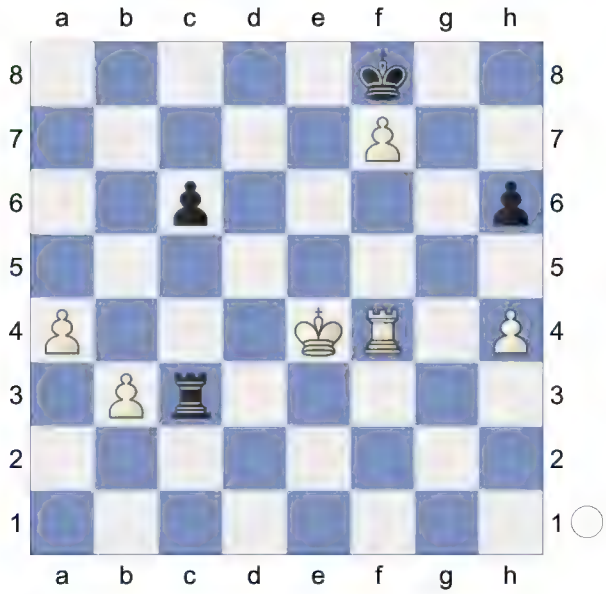
[⌓46...h5 4.33/20 47.Rg5 c5 48.Rxh5 Ka7]

47.f5 Kc7

[47...Rxb3 Meyer,Claus Dieter 48.f6]

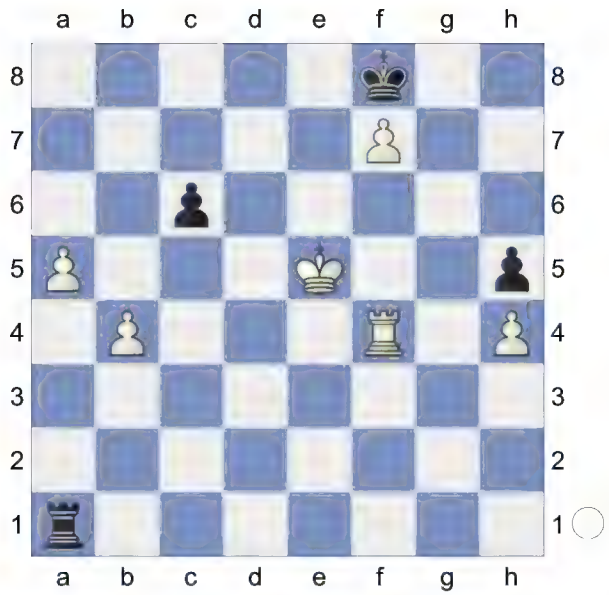
48.f6 Threatening mate with f6-f7.

48...Kd7 49.f7 Ke7 50.Rf4 Kf8



51.Rf3 Rc1 52.Ke5 Rc2 53.b4 Rc1 54.a5 h5 55.Rf4 Ra1

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.44 Loss on time!?

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94 **D06**
□ **Hulak,Krunoslav** **2530**
■ **Manievich,Victor** **2280**
Pula PCA Open 1994
[John Shaw]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Qxd5N
[3...Nf6 4.Nf3 *(4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8* Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)) 4...cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
4.Nf3 cxd4
[4...Nc6? 5.Nc3 Qd8 6.d5 Nb4 7.a3 Na6 8.e4 Bg4?? 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Qxd7 11.Ne5 Qc7 12.Qa4+ 1-0 was the nightmarish conclusion of a recent Spanish game.]
5.Nc3 Qd8

(Diagram)

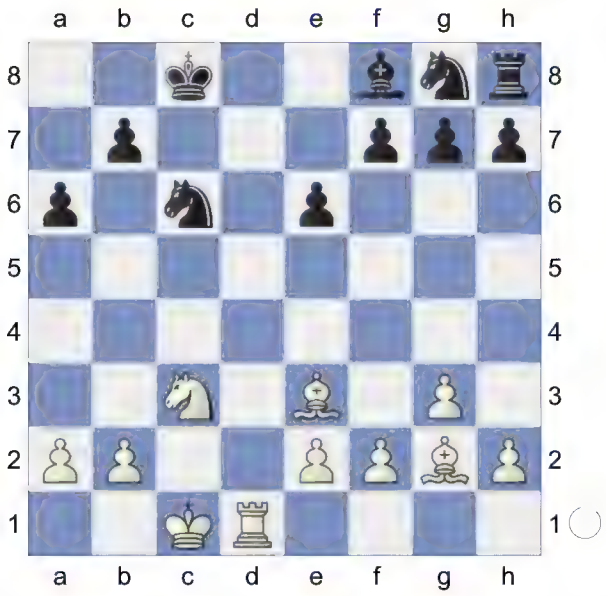
Black has various other retreats but none that alters the basic theme of the position – White has a significant lead in development. **6.Qxd4**
[6.Nxd4 e5 7.Ndb5 a6 8.Qxd8+ Kxd8=]
6...Bd7
[White's initiative continues after 6...Qxd4 0.95/19 6...Bd7 0.53 7.Nxd4 . The c7-square in particular will soon be a target for a white knight.]
7.Ne5 Nc6 8.Qxd7+ White is better. **8...Qxd7 9.Nxd7 Kxd7 10.Be3 Rd8** 1.33/20
[⌓10...e6 0.84/17]

(Diagram)

11.0-0-0+ Kc8 12.Rxd8+ Kxd8 13.g3 &Bianco is more active. **13...e6 14.Bg2 a6** 2.01/23 White threatened 15 Bxc6 bxc6 17 Bxa7 but now b6 is weakened. This is a typical consequence of lagging behind in development – the opponent's greater activity naturally creates tactical threats which can only be avoided by making positional concessions. Against Nb5

[14...Kc8± 1.50/19 15.Kb1 Nf6]

15.Rd1++- Kc8



16.Na4! Nf6 17.Nb6+ Kc7 18.Nc4 Nd7 Against Bb6+ **19.Bf4+** This bishop pair is nice. **19...Kc8** This retreat is forced.

[19...e5? 20.Bh3! wins at least a pawn for White.]

20.Bd6 Black's position can no longer withstand the pressure. **20...Bxd6**

21.Nxd6+ Kc7 22.Nxb7! This simple tactic finally translates White's initiative into a material advantage.

[Don't take 22.Nxf7 Rf8±]

22...Nb4 2.35/20

[22...Rb8± 1.60/19 was called for.]

23.a3 Nd5 24.Na5

[But not 24.Bxd5?! exd5 25.Na5 *(25.Rxd5 Nf6=)* 25...Kd6±]

24...N7b6 25.Rd2 f5 2.53/19

[25...h5 1.99/19 was worth a try. 26.e4 Nf6]

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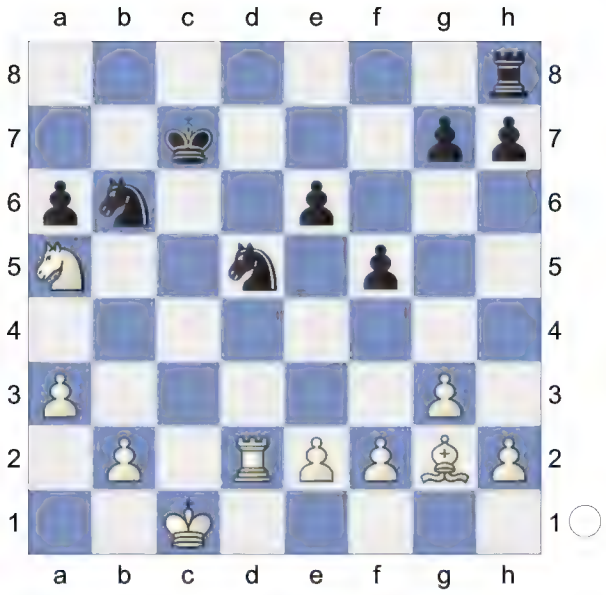
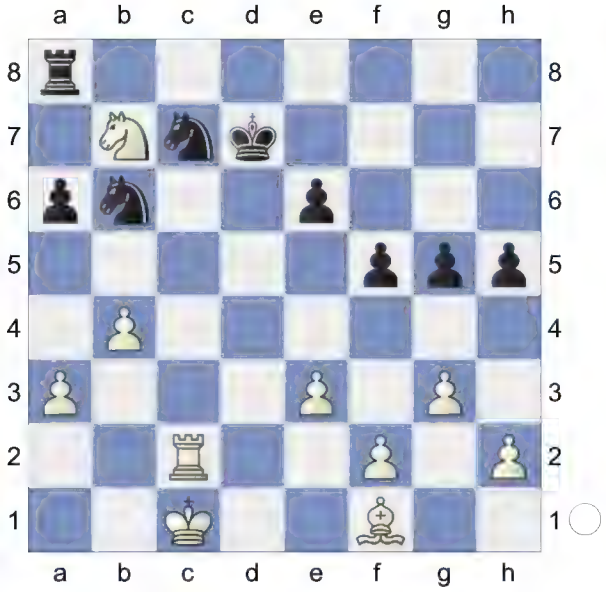


26.e3 g5 27.Rc2+ Kd7 28.b4 h5 29.Bf1 Nc7 30.Nb7 Ra8



31.Kb2 h4 32.Kb3 hxg3 33.hxg3 Ra7 34.Nc5+ Kd6 4.15/23

[⌓34...Ke7 2.79/24 35.e4 fxe4 36.Nxe4 g4]

35.a4 Nbd5

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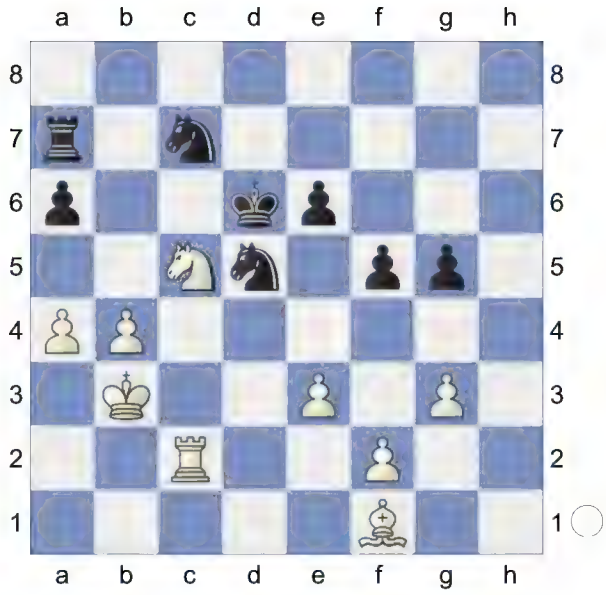
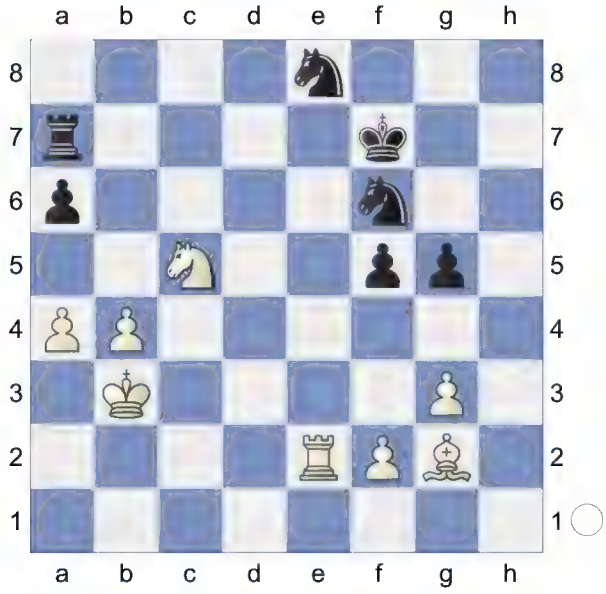


36.e4 Nf6 37.Rd2+ Ke7 Black is forced to abandon the queenside.

[37...Kc6? 9.81/23 37...Ke7 4.72 38.exf5 exf5 39.Bg2+ forces the win of a piece because Kb6 40.Rd6# is mate.]

38.exf5 exf5 39.Bg2 Nce8 40.Re2+ Kf7



41.Bb7 a5 42.bxa5 Rxa5 43.Kb4 Ra7 44.a5 Nc7 45.a6 Nxa6+

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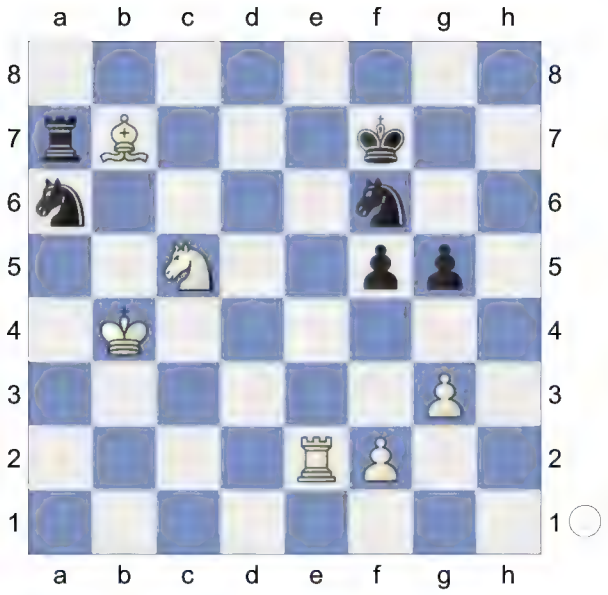
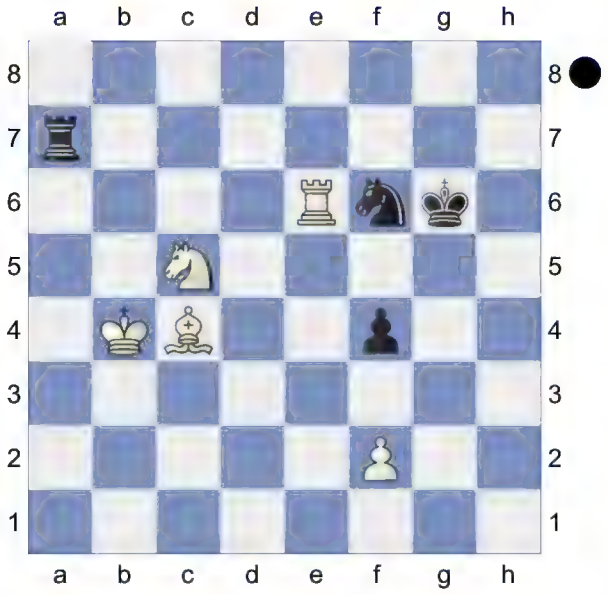


Black recognises that the a-pawn would have inevitably cost a piece eventually. **46.Bxa6** White is clearly winning. **46...f4 47.Bc4+ Kg6 48.gxf4 gxf4** Black's last remaining hope is to exchange the final pawn. **49.Re6**



aiming for Ne4. **49...Kg5 50.f3 Nh5**

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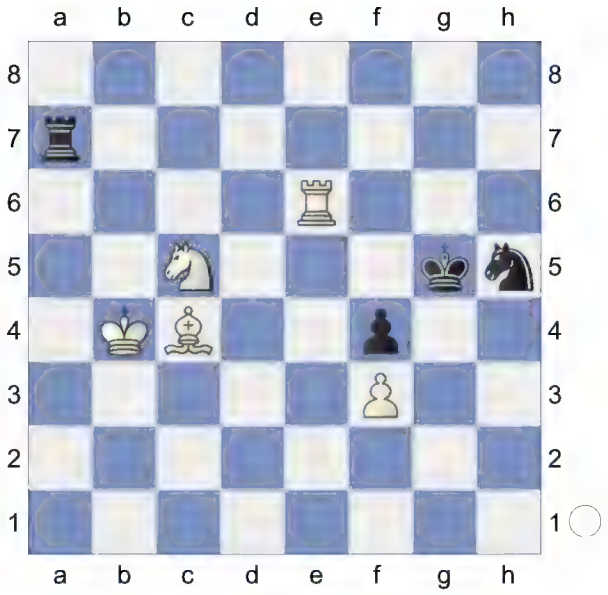
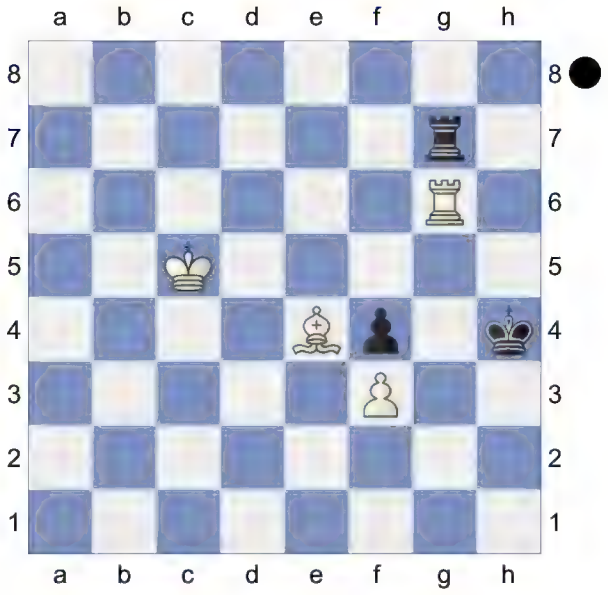


51.Bd3 Threatens to win with Rg6+.
51...Nf6 8.77/28
[⌓51...Ng7 4.98/19 52.Rg6+ Kh5]
52.Ne4+ Nxe4 53.Bxe4 Rg7 10.16/35
[⌓53...Kh4 5.07/29 54.Rg6 Kh5]
54.Kc5 Kh4 55.Rg6



Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)
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95 **D06**
□ **Gleizerov,Evgeny** **2520**
■ **Westerinen,Heikki M.J.** **2382**
Rilton Cup Stockholm SWE (6) 03.01.00
[John Shaw]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4N The most aggressive attempt to refute the Symmetrical Variation.
[The simple 4.dxc5 Qxd5 5.Bd2 , planning Nc3, should be good enough for an edge.]
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5
[5...Qa5+ is an alternative but 6.Bd2! Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxc5 8.Na3 Threatens to win with Rc1. Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4! gave White a dangerous initiative in an earlier Westerinen game (versus Helgi Olafsson, Reykjavik 1997).]

6.Nf3
[The less accurate 6.Nc3 allows Black to claim some territory with e5 .]
6...e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5 White is slightly better. **8...Qxd5**
[8...Nc6 9.Qxd8+ Nxd8 is similar to the game. This was once played by Count Alberic O'Kelly de Galway – the GM with the best ever name.]
9.Nxd5 NOTE: The more open the centre the greater the importance of a lead in development. In this position White clearly has a significant advantage. Nc7+ is the strong threat. **9...Nba6** 0.93/18 Prevents Nc7+.
[9...Bd6± 0.58/19]
10.Bb5+± Bd7

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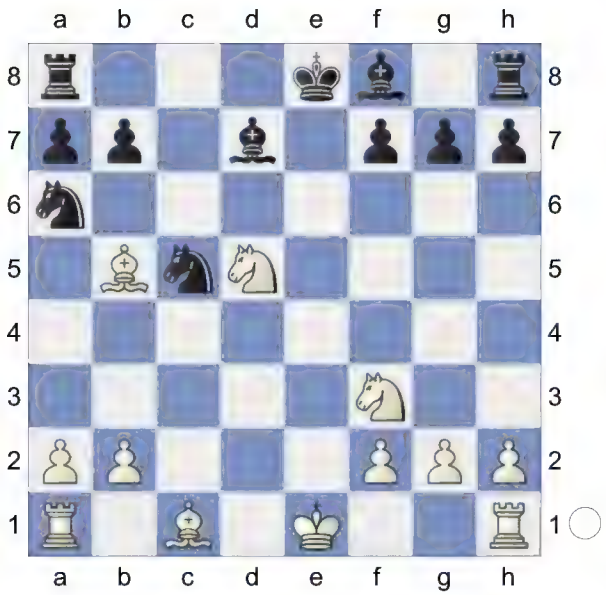
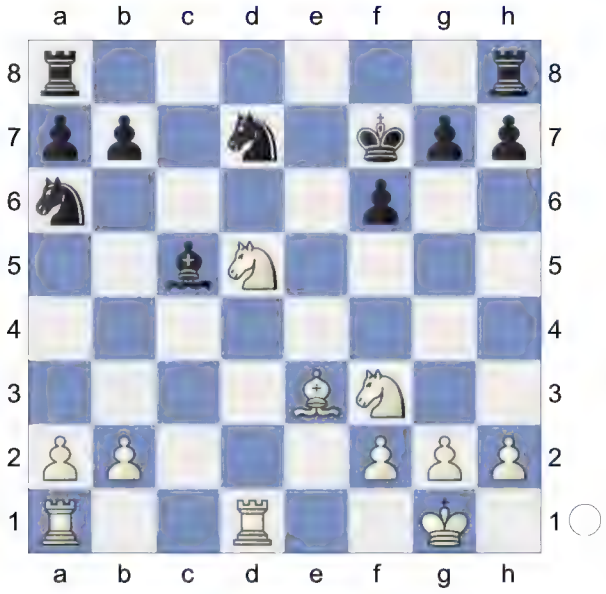


11.Bxd7+ Nxd7 12.0-0 f6 Black has to waste time creating a safe haven for his king on f7. **13.Be3** White's every move brings another piece to the centre. **13...Kf7 14.Rfd1** &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed. **14...Bc5**



Prevents b4. **15.Nc7!** A simple tactic ensures White's temporary initiative turns into a permanent advantage. **15...Rad8**

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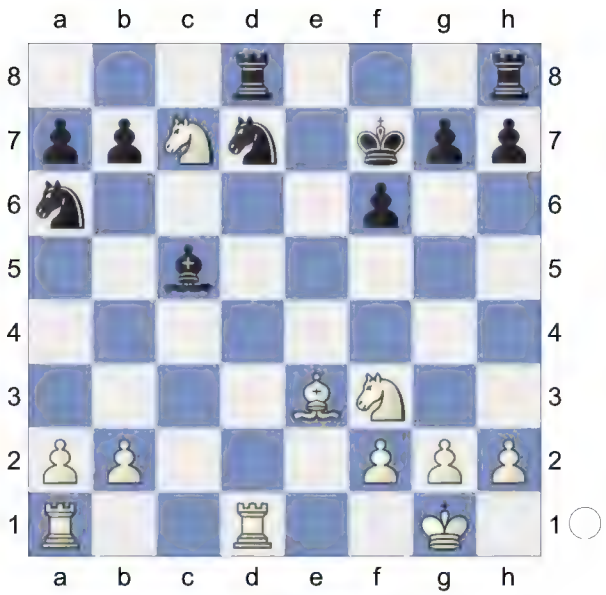

16.Nxa6 Bxe3

[16...bxa6 2.13/22 16...Bxe3 1.08 loses material to 17.Rxd7+! Rxd7 18.Bxc5 .]

17.fxe3 And now Nc7 would win. **17...bxa6 18.Rac1** Every beginner is told of the strength of a 'rook on the seventh' – this position is a good example, Rc7 being simply a winning move. aiming for Rc7. **18...Nb6 19.Rc7+ Kg6 20.Rxd8**

[20.Rdc1 keeps more tension. Rc8 21.b3 Rhe8 22.Kf2]

20...Rxd8

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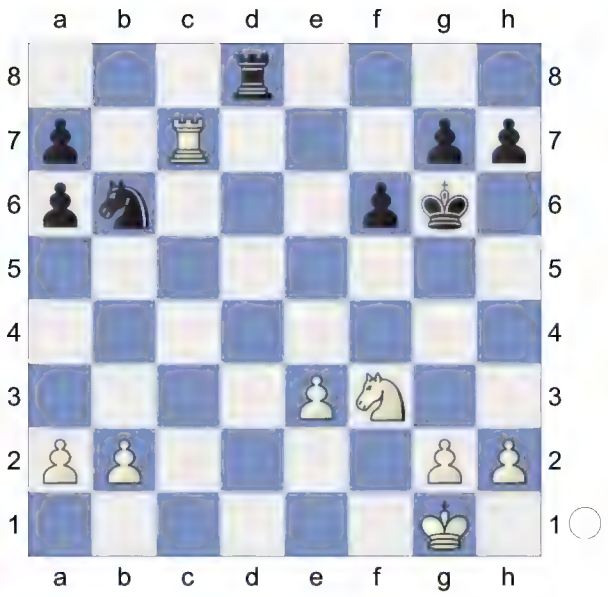
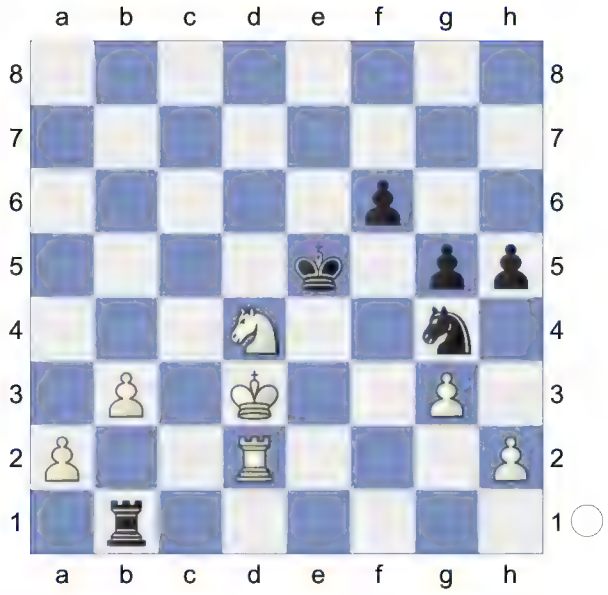


21.Rxa7 Endgame KRN-KRN **21...Nc4**
22.b3 As strong as it is obvious – White gives up the e-pawn rather than its partner on the b-file.
[22.Rxa6 Nxb2 23.e4 Rc8±]
22...Nxe3 **23.Rxa6** Now White's two connected passed pawns trundle their way to glory. **23...Ng4** (→ ...Rd1+)
24.Kf1 Rd1+ 1.49/21
[⌓24...Ne3+ 1.12/18 25.Kf2 Nd1+ 26.Kg3 Nc3]
25.Ke2 Rb1

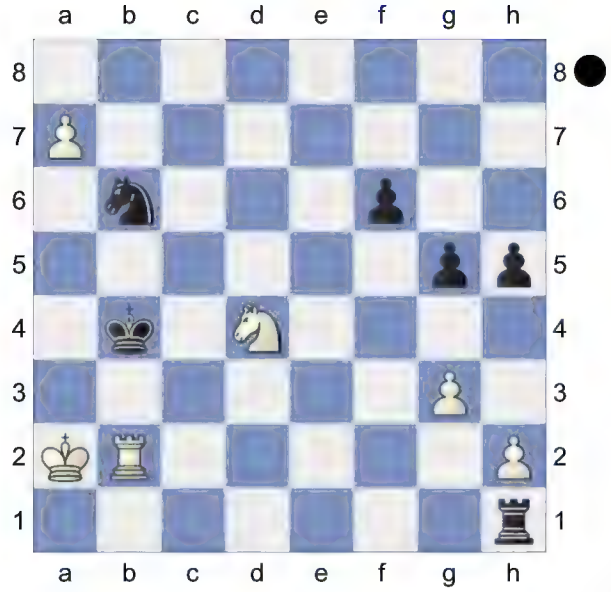
26.Rd6 1.21/19
[Better is 26.h3+- 1.75/20 Rb2+ 27.Kd3 Nf2+ 28.Kc4]
26...Kf5 27.Rd2 g5 28.Kd3 h5 2.25/21
[28...Ne5+± 1.54/19 29.Nxe5 fxe5]
29.Nd4++- Kf4 2.55/19
[⌓29...Kg6 1.96/20 30.h3 Ne5+ 31.Kc2 Re1]
30.g3+ Ke5



31.a4 Hoping for h3. **31...Kd5** 2.13/20
[31...Nxh2 1.74/19 was worth a try. 32.Nc6+ *(32.Rxh2 Rd1+ 33.Kc2 Rxd4±; 32.Re2+ Kd5±)* 32...Ke6]
32.Kc3 Rc1+ 3.00/20
[⌓32...Ne5 2.03/19 33.Nc2+ Kc6]
33.Kb2 Rh1 5.49/21
[33...Rc8 3.08/21 34.Nb5+ Ke5]
34.a5 Strongly threatening a6. **34...Kc5** 5.94/20
[⌓34...Ne5 4.10/23 35.a6 Nc6]
35.b4+ White is clearly winning.
35...Kxb4

(Diagram)

36.a6 Ne5 37.a7 Nc4+ 38.Ka2 Nb6
16.24/22
[⌓38...Nxd2 5.12/20 39.a8Q Rxh2 40.Qa3+ Kc4]
39.Rb2+



Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.32
1-0

96 **D06**
□ **Kotanjian,Tigran** **2517**
■ **Ulybin,Mikhail** **2532**
4. Karen Asrian Memorial (4) 19.06.2011
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bg2** Dodges Qc7-c6 **9...Bb4 10.0-0** 0.21/21
[10.Qd3± 0.58/22]
10...Bxc3=

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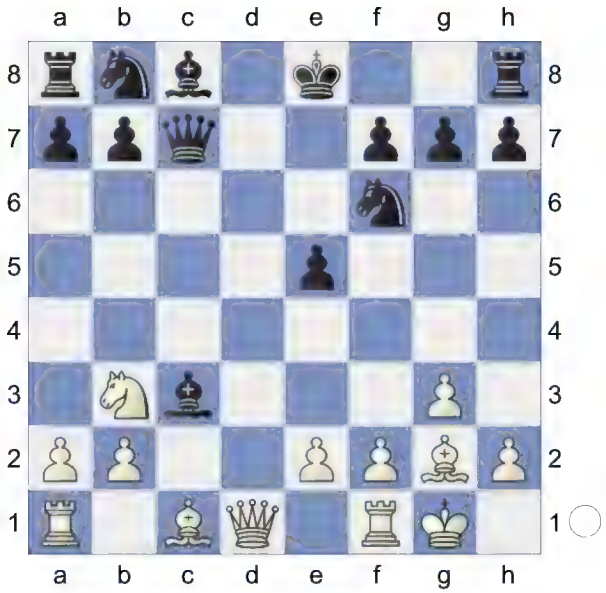


11.bxc3 Hoping for Bc1-a3. **11...0-0!**
12.Bg5!?
[Not the best move. Better was 12.Ba3]
12...Nbd7!
[12...Rd8 13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.c4 a5 15.Rab1 h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 a4 22.Nxc5 a3 23.h3 Qb5 24.e3 e4 25.Nxe4 Nxe4 26.Qxe4 Be6 27.Qc2 0-1 Hakobyan,A (2608)-Mamedyarov,S (2738) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Early blitz 2023 (10)]
13.Qd2N -0.21/20
[13.c4 0.21/18 might be stronger. h6 14.Be3 Nb6 15.c5 Nc4 16.Qc1 Be6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxh6 Nh7 19.f4 Ne3 20.Be4 Bf5 21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Qh5 Nd4 23.Qxe5 Qxe5 24.fxe5 Nc6 25.Rab1 Rad8 26.Nc1 Rd7 27.Nd3 Re8 28.Rf5 4 Chapter-Game Chapter 20 Game Nd4 29.Rf2 Ng5 30.Kg2 Ne4 31.Rf4 Nc3 32.c6 Nxc6 33.Nc5 Rde7 34.Rb3 Nxe2 35.Rg4+ Kf8 36.e6 fxe6 37.Rb2 Ncd4 38.Re4 Rc8 39.Nd3 Rec7 40.Ne1 b6 41.Rexe2 Nxe2 42.Rxe2 Rc3

43.h4 0-1 Atalik,S (2568)-Ulybin,M (2529) SRB Central-ch op-A 6th 2013 (9)]

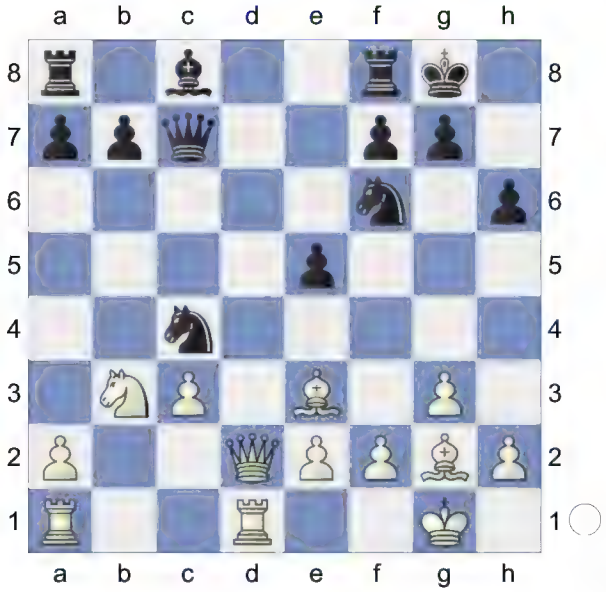
13...h6 14.Be3 Nb6 Wards off c3-c4

15.Rfd1? -1.31/21

[15.c4! Nxc4 *(15...Qxc4* 0.30/21 15...Nb6xc4 -0.22 *16.Rfc1 Qg4! 17.Nc5∞)* 16.Rfc1∞]

[15.c4= -0.07/21 remains equal.]

15...Nc4∓



Black converts the advantage convincingly. **16.Qc1 Bf5** -1.06/21

[⌓16...a5 -1.58/21 17.Bc5 Re8]

17.Bc5 Rfd8 18.Rxd8+ -1.85/22

[18.f3∓ -1.23/21]

18...Rxd8-+ 19.f3

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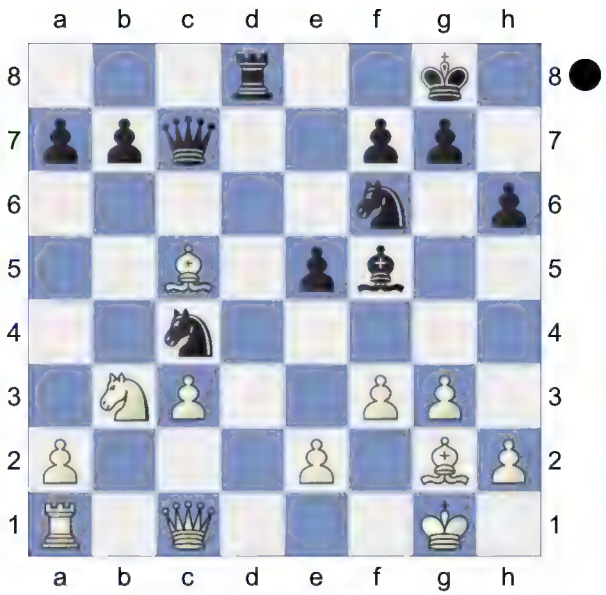
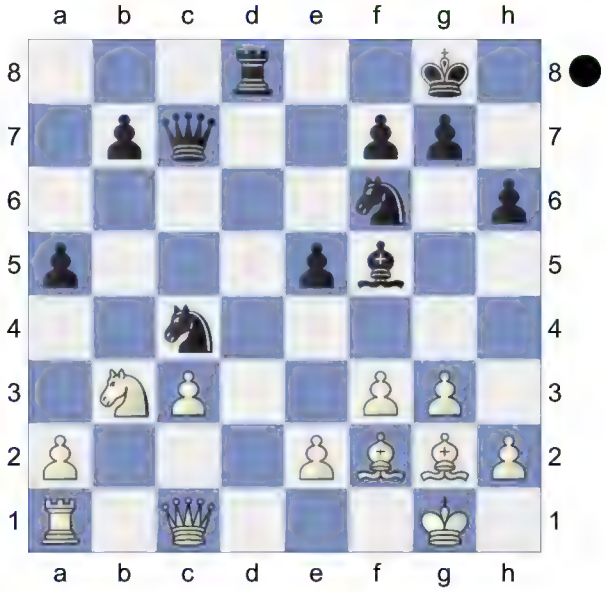


a5! 20.Bf2

[20.a4 -2.18/21 20.Bc5-f2 -1.79 Nd2!]



20...a4!

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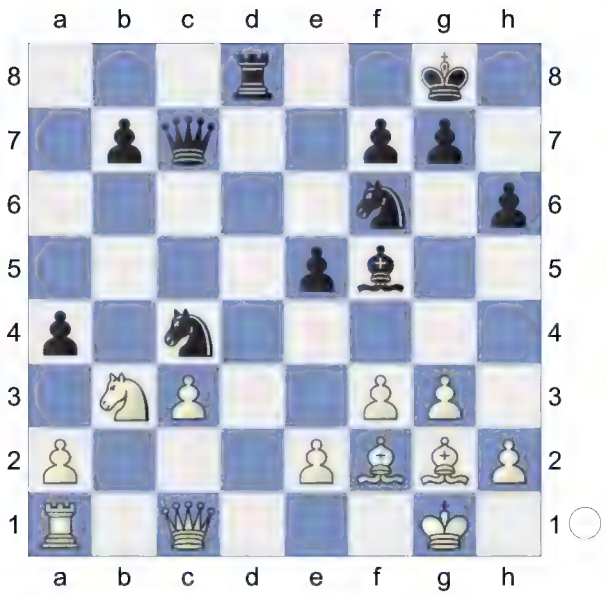
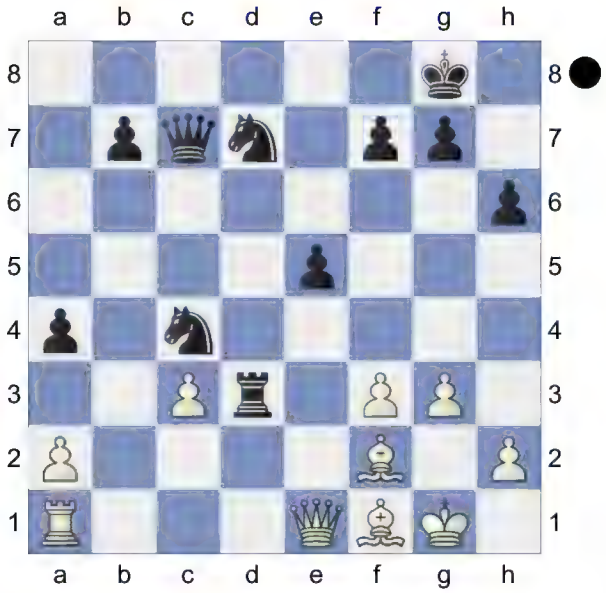


White is weak on the light squares **21.Nc5 Rd2 22.Qe1 Nd7** A dynamic duo of knights. **23.Nd3 Bxd3 24.exd3 Rxd3 25.Bf1?** -4.22/21

[25.f4 -1.95/20]



25...Nd2!

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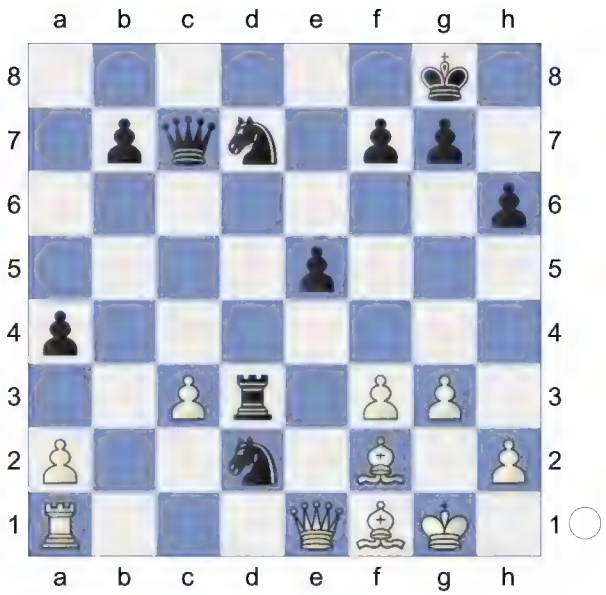
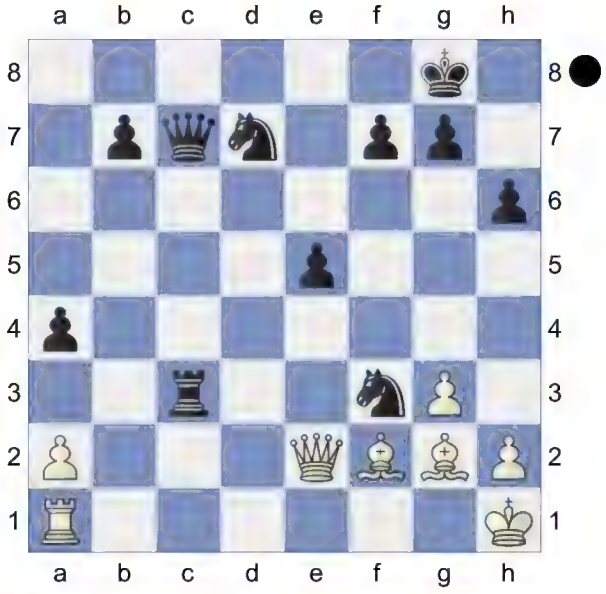


Black is clearly winning. **26.Qe2**

[26.Kg2 Nxf1]

26...Nxf3+ 27.Kh1 Rxc3 28.Bg2



e4 29.Rf1

[29.Qb5 Rc1+]

29...Nf6 30.Bh3 g6

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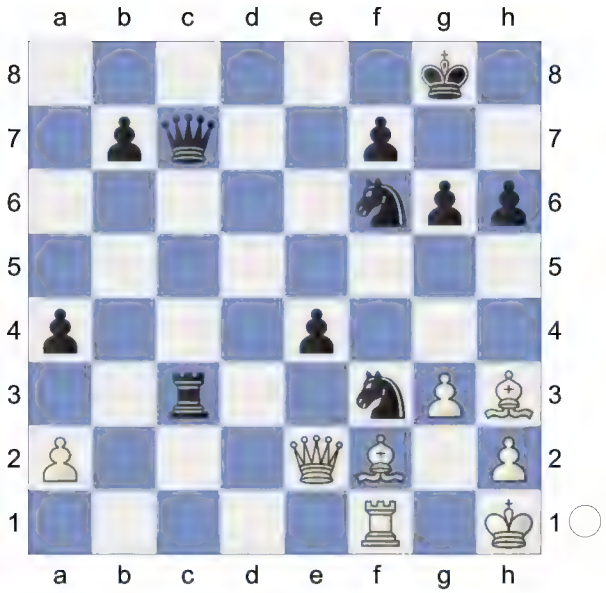
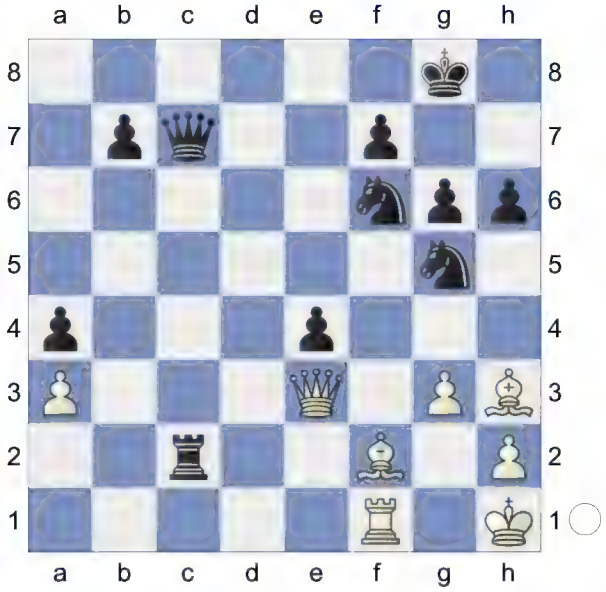


Strongly threatening ...Rc3-c2. **31.a3 Rc2 32.Qe3 Ng5**



Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/ Black=0.11 (very precise)

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97 **D06**
□ **Olafsson,Helgi** **2505**
■ **Westerinen,Heikki M.J.** **2410**
Hellir Open Reykjavik ISL (4) 27.10.1997
[Breutigam,Martin]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Qa5+

(Diagram)

6.Bd2! Black may have achieved a partial success (the bishop pair), but in return White has a considerable lead in development - and also the restricting pawn. Zwar hat Schwarz jetzt einen kleinen Teilerfolg erzielt (Läuferpaar), dafür hat Weiß beträchtlichen Entwicklungsvorsprung - und auch den einengenden Bauern.
[6.Nc3 0.10/19 6.Bd2 0.67 Nxc3 7.bxc3 e6!⩲]
[6.Bd2!? Nxd2 7.Qxd2 *(7.Nxd2 e6±)* 7...Qxc5 8.Na3±]
6...Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxc5 8.Na3! White is slightly better. Black must bear in mind the threat 9. ♖c1 and at the same time the knight sortie to b5. Schwarz muss die Drohung 9. ♖c1 beachten und zugleich den Springerausfall nach b5. **8...Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4! Qh6**
[IM Saitsev once experimented with a bizarre idea for bringing the black-squared bishop into the game: IM Saitsev experimentierte mal mit einer bizzaren Idee, den schwarzfeldrigen Läufer ins Spiel zu bekommen:
10...Qf6!? 11.Nf3 g5!? *(11...g6?!*

12.Nce5 The threat is 13.♗b5!) (Es droht 13.♗b5!) *Qb6*

Against Bb5 *13.Bc4!±)*

A) 12.Qxg5?! Qxg5 13.Nxg5 Bh6 1.25/21 *(⌓13...Bg7* 0.91/19 *)* 14.f4± Rg8⩱;

B) It is not clear whether or how Black aimed to demonstrate any compensation after Ob und wie Schwarz nach 12.Nxg5!? ; perhaps by Kompensation zu zeigen gedachte, ist unklar; vielleicht mit b5!? 13.Na5 Bh6 14.f4 1.14/19 *(⌓14.h4* 1.51/20 *)* 14...Bg7± 15.b4 Qb6 1.49/17 *(⌓15...Na6* 1.03/17 *16.Nc6 h6)*;

C) 12.Nce5!? And now Bb5! would win. 12...Bh6 ...g4 is the strong threat.

C1) Here you can see how 11...g5 is better than 11...g6?!: Hier sieht man, wieso 11...g5 besser ist als 11...g6?!: 13.Bb5?! 0.12/22 13.g4 1.03 0-0! White must now prevent ...g4! 14.Nxd7 -0.39/22 *(14.Bxd7±* 0.39/21 *g4 15.Qc2)* 14...Nxd7∓ 15.Bxd7? -1.01/22 *(15.Qd4∓* -0.34/17 *Rfd8 16.h4)* 15...g4;

C2) 13.Rc7

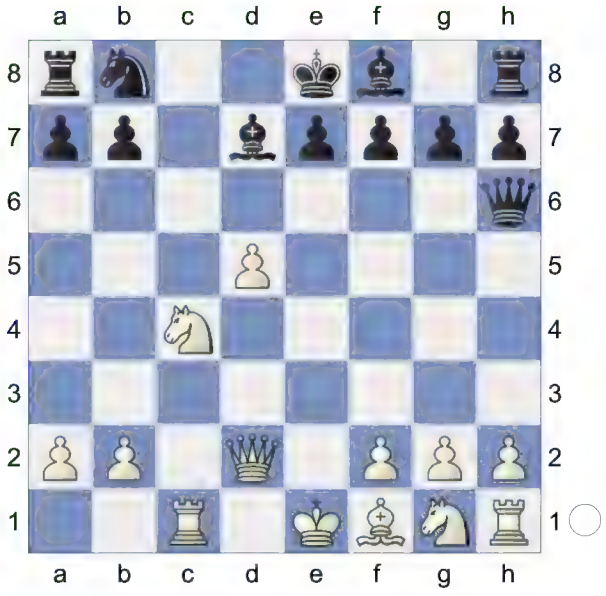
C2a) 13...g4? 14.Qc2 Threatening mate with Rc8+! gxf3?? #2/6 *(14...0-0!=* -0.14/21 *15.Rxd7 gxf3)* 15.Rc8+!+-;

C2b) 13...g4= 0.01/22 14.Qc2 0-0 15.Rxd7 gxf3;

C2c) 13...Qd6 0.89/20 14.Rxb7± 0-0;

C3) ⌓13.Qb4 1.34/22 Threatens to win with Bb5. 0-0 14.h4;

C4) 13.g4!? 1.02/22 13...Qd6± 14.h4 Strongly threatening Nc4. Bg7 15.Qxg5?! -0.01/20 *(15.Nc4±* 1.04/19 *Qf4 16.Qxf4 gxf4 17.Nce5)* 15...Bh6= 16.Bb5! Qb4+ 17.Nd2 Qxb5 18.Qxh6 Qxd5∞ 0-1 Goossens,E (2224)-Zaitsev,M (2463)/Belgium 2007)]



11.f4 0.46/20

[Of course Kritisch ist natürlich auch 11.Qxh6!? is also critical gxh6 12.Ne5! aiming for Bb5! with the threat 13.♗b5!, e.g. mit der Drohung 13. ♗b5!, z.B. e6 *(12...Bg7?* 2.28/21

12...e6 0.87 *13.Bb5! e6 14.Nxd7 Nxd7 15.Rc7+-)* 13.Bc4 exd5 14.Bxd5 Nc6

A) 15.Nxc6?! Hoping for Ne5. Rc8!=;

B) 15.Bxf7+ Ke7 1.13/22 *(⌓15...Kd8 0.75/21 16.Ngf3 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Bg7)* 16.Nxd7± Kxf7 17.Nxf8 Rhxf8 18.Nf3 Rfe8+ 19.Kd2 Rad8+ 20.Kc3! Rc8≅;

C) Better is 15.Bxf7+ 1.07/23 Ke7 16.Nxd7 Kxf7 17.Nxf8 Rhxf8 18.h4;

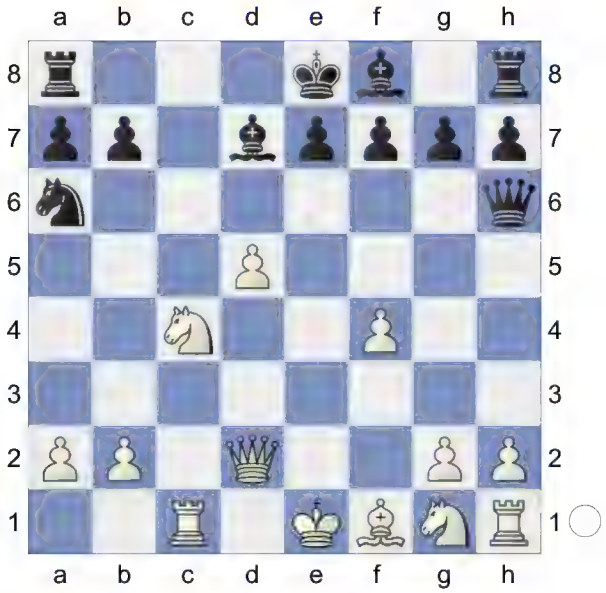
D) 15.Ngf3± 0.76/19]

[11.Qxh6± 0.88/22 gxh6 12.Ne5]

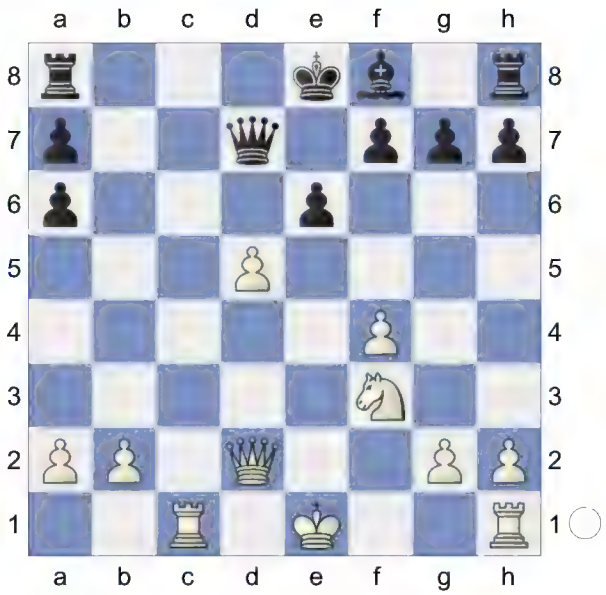
11...Na6? 1.49/20

[Worth considering is In Betracht kommt 11...e6!? 12.d6 Nc6 13.Nf3 Against e5 f6]

[11...e6± 0.46/20]



After this, Black is clearly at a disadvantage. Danach gerät Schwarz klar in Nachteil. **12.Ne5!↑** White is in control. **12...Qd6 13.Nxd7** 0x0. 0020d340462fdp-1022s more active pieces. The black rooks are badly placed. **13...Qxd7 14.Nf3 e6 15.Bxa6 bxa6**



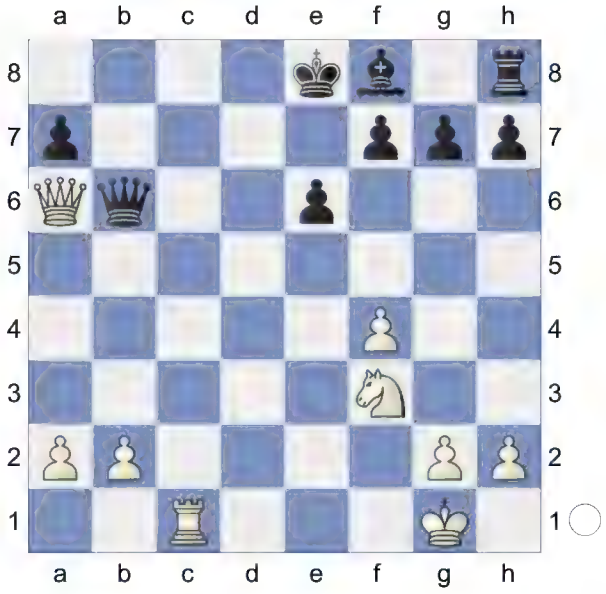
16.0-0 Rd8 17.Qe2 Qxd5 18.Rfd1

[Not 18.Qxa6 Bc5+ 19.Kh1 0-0=]

18...Qa5

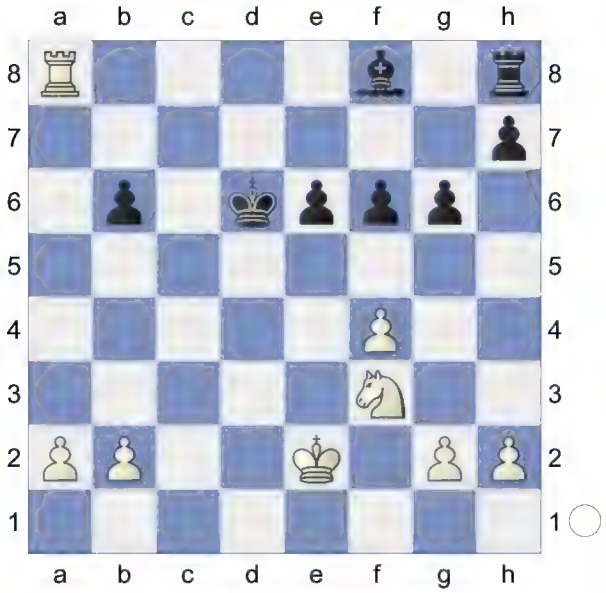
[18...Bc5+? 19.Kh1 Qa8 20.Rxd8+ *(20.Qxa6 Rxd1+ 21.Rxd1 0-0∓)* 20...Qxd8 21.Rxc5+-]

19.Rxd8+ Qxd8 20.Qxa6 Qb6+



21.Qxb6 axb6 Endgame KRB-KRN **22.Kf1 f6 23.Rc8+?** 1.05/22 After this, White's advantage gradually evaporates. It was stronger to cut off the black king. Danach verflüchtigt sich der

weiße Vorteil allmählich. Stärker war es, den König abzuschneiden.
[23.Rc7+-]
[⌓23.Rc7 1.53/22]
23...Kd7 24.Ra8 g6 25.Ke2 1.03/22
[White should play 25.Nd4 1.36/21]
25...Kd6



26.Kd3 Bg7 27.Ra7 Rg8 28.b4 f5 29.a4 Ba1 1.98/22
[29...Bf6± 1.42/20 keeps fighting.]
30.Ng5 1.10/21
[But not 30.Rxh7?! Ra8±]
[White should try 30.Ra6+- 1.98/22]
30...Rc8

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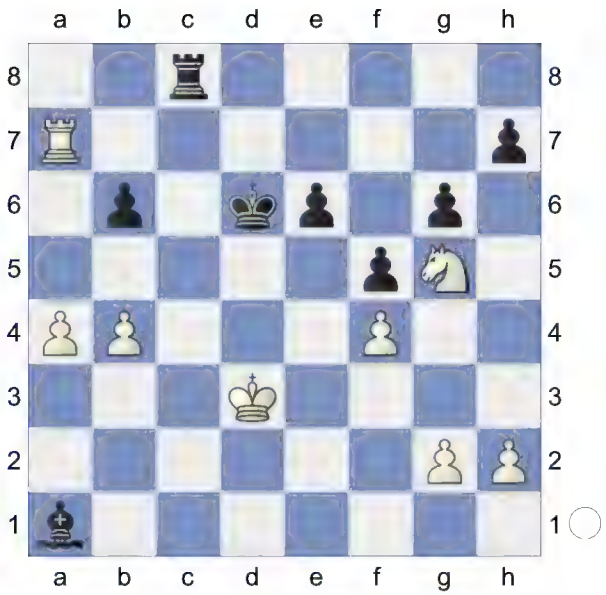
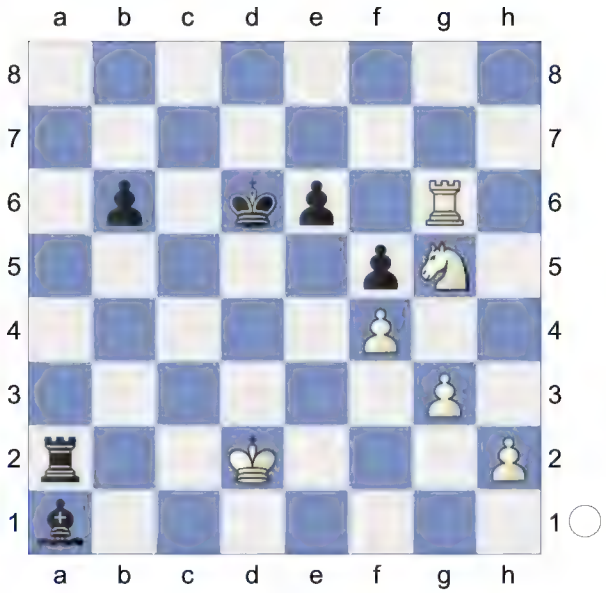


31.Rxh7 -0.01/22
[31.Nf7+± 0.76/21 Kc6 32.Re7]
31...Rc3+!= The position is equal.
32.Kd2 Rc4 33.g3 Rxb4 34.Rh6 Rxa4 35.Rxg6 Ra2+



36.Kd3 Rxh2 37.Nxe6 Ke7 38.Nd4 Bxd4 39.Kxd4 Rb2! 40.Rc6 Rb3

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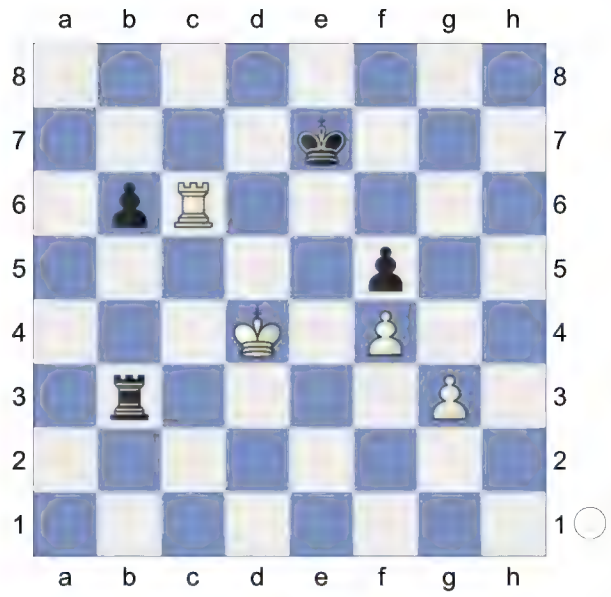
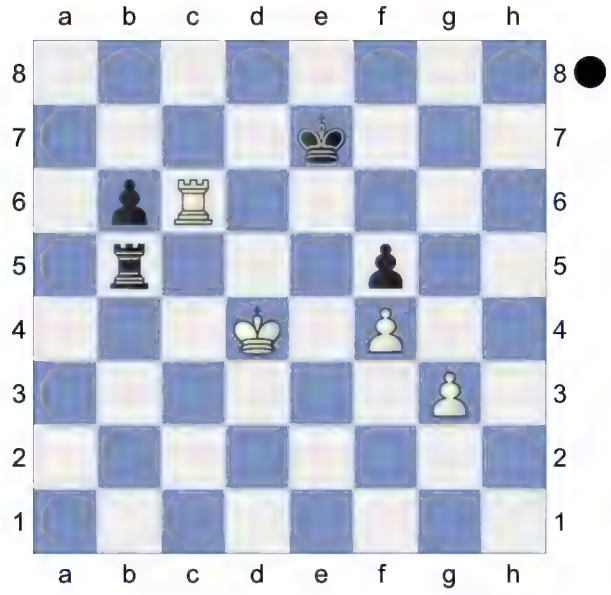


41.Ke5 Rb5+! 42.Kd4



Black escapes into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) / Black=0.07 (flawless)

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98 **D06**
□ **Navarro,L.** **2493**
■ **21.Qc4** **2565**
ESP-chT Lanzarote (1.1) 20.08.2015
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Qxd5N
[3...Nf6 4.Nf3 *(4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8* Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)) 4...cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4 Qxd4

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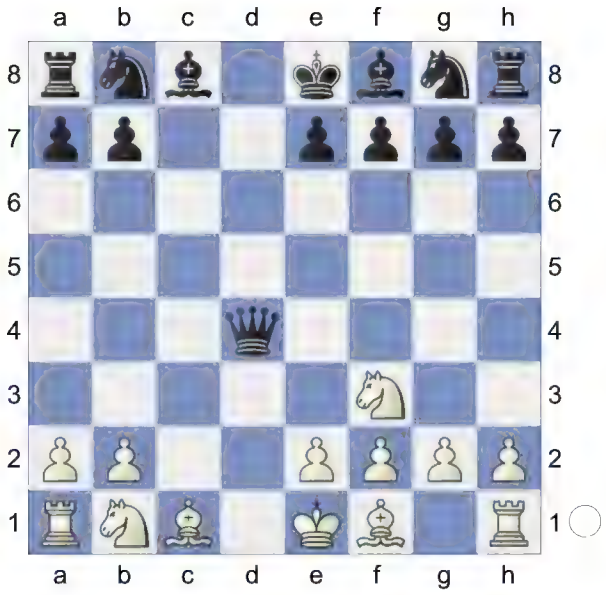

6.Nxd4 a6 Against Nb5 **7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 Bd7 9.Bg2 Bc6 10.0-0 Bxg2**

11.Kxg2 Nc6 12.Be3 Nf6 13.N1d2 Nd5 14.Bc5 Bxc5 15.Nxc5 0-0-0

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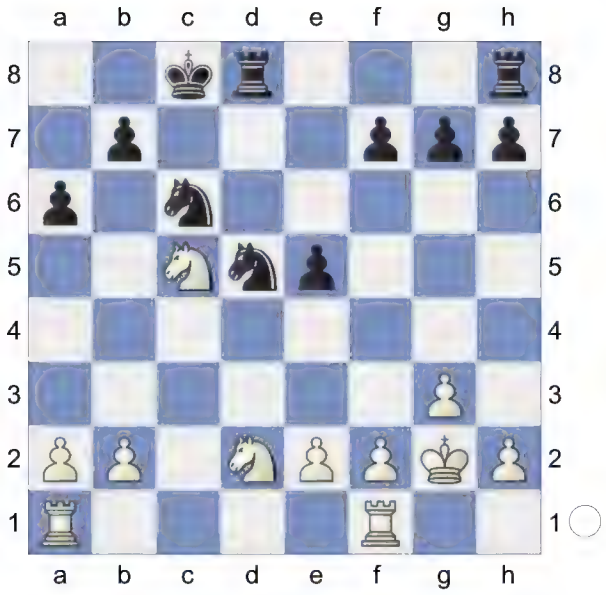
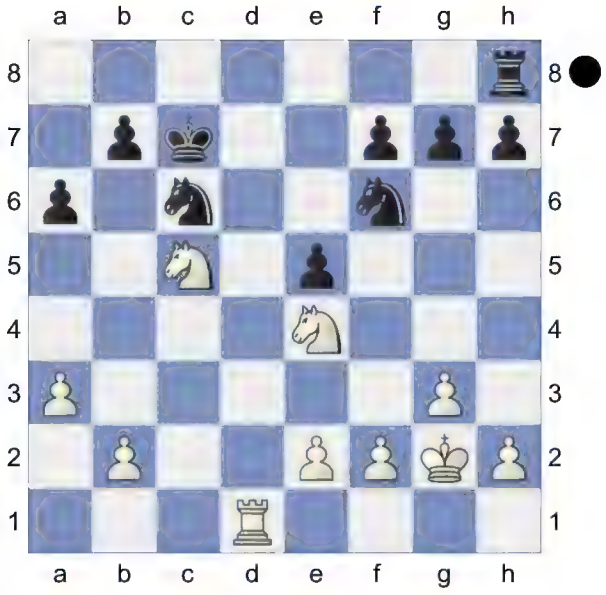


16.Rfd1 Nf6 0.61/21
[16...b6= 0.19/18]
17.Rac1
[17.Nc4 is more complex. Kc7 18.Rdc1 a5 19.a3]
17...Kc7 18.a3 Rd5 19.Nde4 -0.06/19
[19.e4± 0.33/21 Rd6 20.Nc4 Rxd1 21.Rxd1]
19...Rxd1!= 20.Rxd1



Strongly threatening Nxf6. **20...Nxe4**

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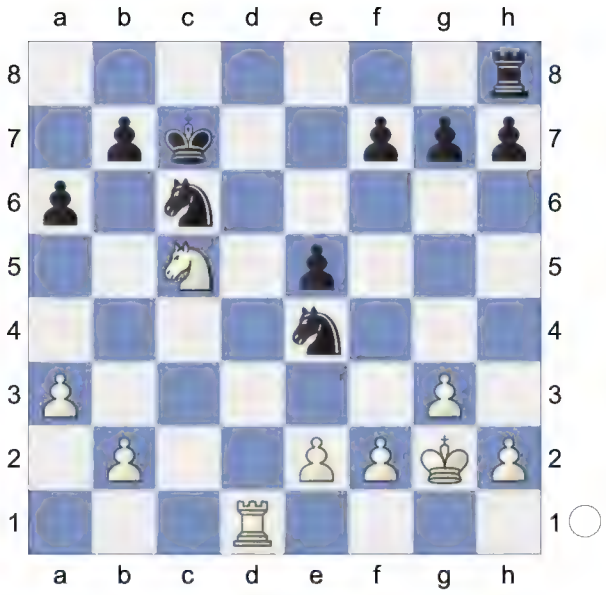
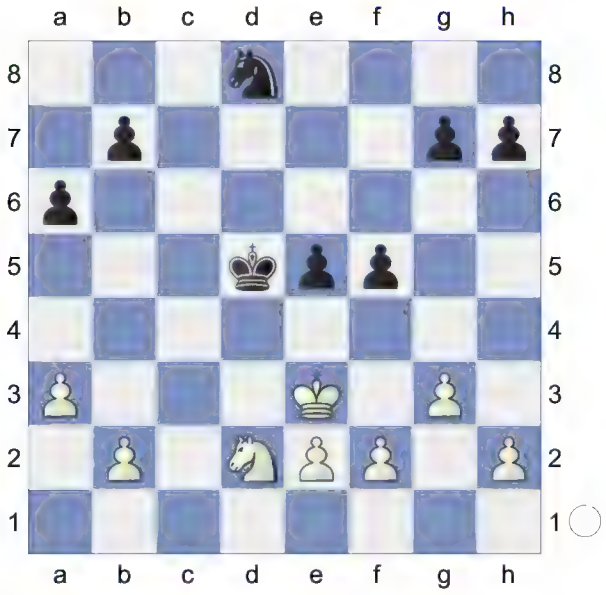


21.Nxe4 Rd8 22.Rxd8 Nxd8
Endgame KN-KN **23.Kf3 Kc6 24.Ke3** -0.36/23
[24.Nc3= -0.02/20 should be considered.]
24...f5∓ 25.Nd2 Kd5



26.Kd3 e4+ 27.Kc3 Nc6 28.Nc4 b5! 29.Ne3+ Ke5 30.Nc2 g5

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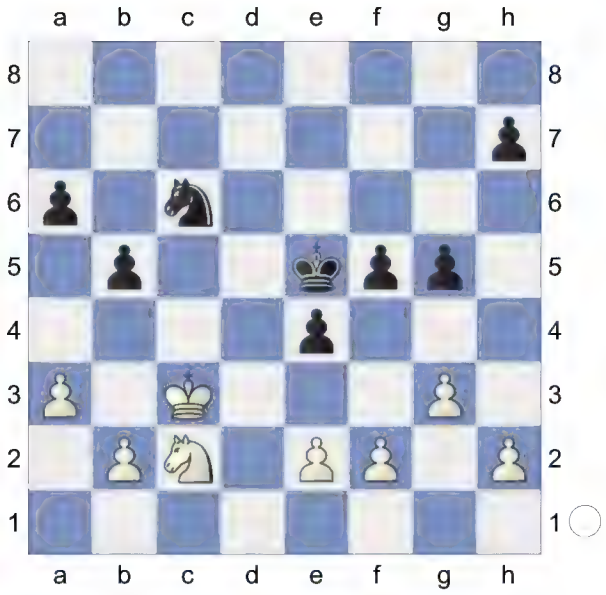
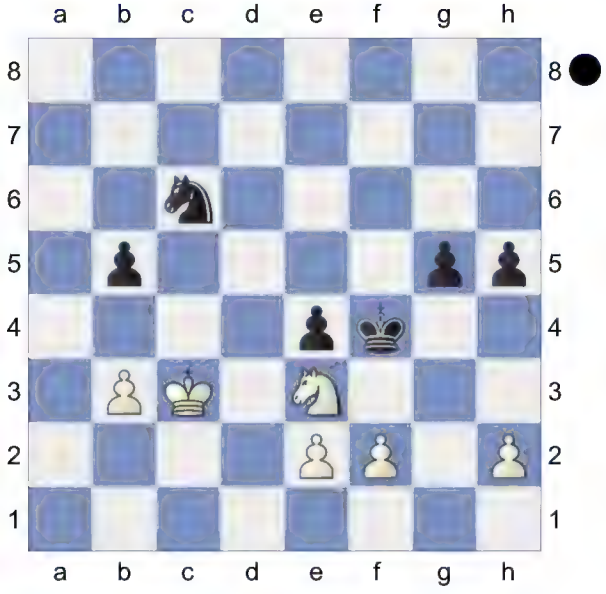


31.b3 h5! 32.a4 f4 -0.01/21
[32...h4!∓ -0.36/22]
33.axb5 -0.49/23
[33.e3!= -0.01/21 deserves consideration.]
33...axb5 34.gxf4+ Kxf4 ...Kg4 is the strong threat. **35.Ne3**



Ke5!

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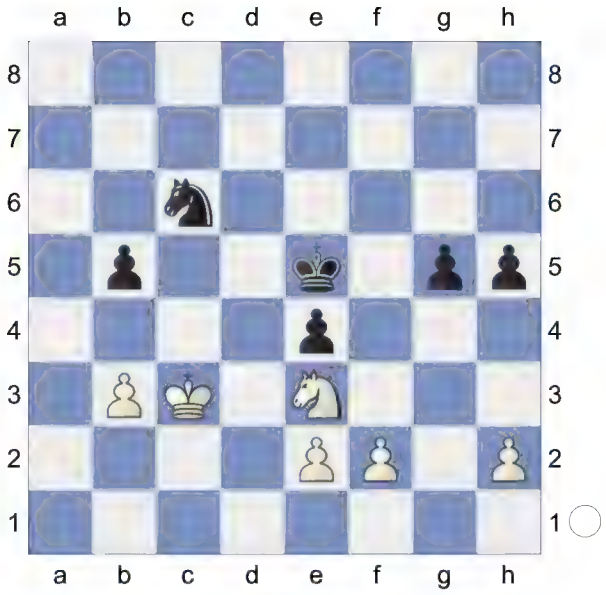
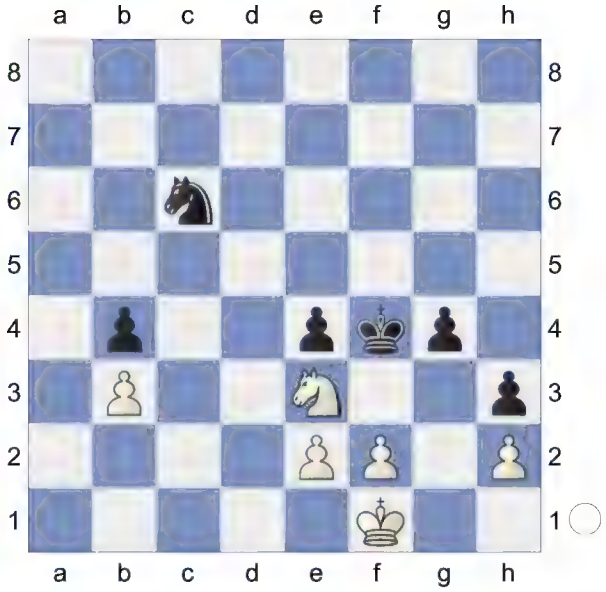


36.Kd2 g4 -0.41/25
[36...Nd4∓ -0.82/24 37.b4 g4]
37.Nc2 b4 -0.01/27
[37...Kf4∓ -0.46/24]
38.Ke1 Kf4 39.Ne3 h4 40.Kf1 h3



41.Nc2 Ke5 42.Ke1 Nd4 43.Nxb4 The position is equal. **43...Nxb3 44.Nc2 Kf5 45.Ne3+ Kf4**

(Diagram)

46.Nd5+ Ke5 47.Ne3 Kf4 48.Nd5+ Ke5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

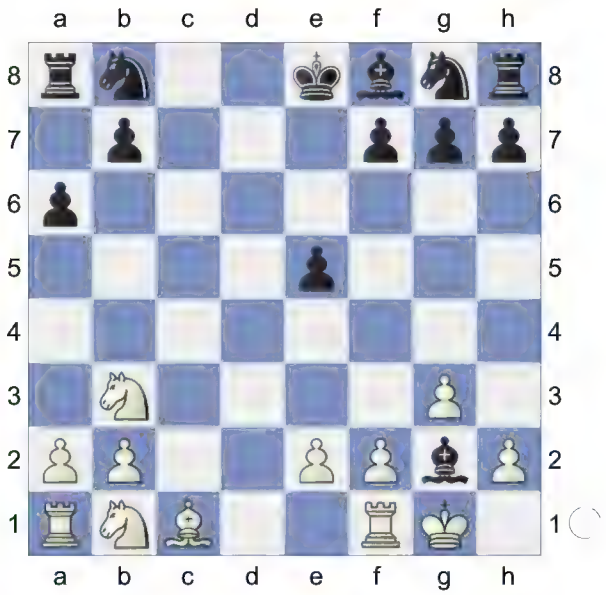
½-½

99 **D06**
□ **Miljkovic,Mir1** **2493**
■ **Atalik,Suat** **2565**
TCh-SRB Premier 2015 (1.1) 20.08.2015
[Atalik,Suat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4**
[Even 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 c5 is possible.]
2...c5!? A surprising decision for the first round. **3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3**
[4.e3!? is a serious alternative to the established theoretical lines.]
4...cxd4 **5.Qxd4N** A solid move including an immediate queen exchange.
[5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4 10.0-0 *(10.Qd3 0-0 11.Bg5 Rd8 12.Qf3 Bxc3+ 13.Qxc3 Nc6 14.0-0 Be6 15.Rac1 Rac8 16.Bxc6 Bxb3 17.Qxb3 bxc6 18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.Qf3 Rd6 20.Rc4 Kh8 21.Rfc1 Qd7 22.b4 a6 23.a4 Rb8 24.Rxc6* 7 Part Chapter-Game Part 1 Chapter*)* 10...Bxc3 11.bxc3 0-0± is my game on the White side of the board against GM Ulibin from Paracin 2013. 12.Bg5 Rd8 13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.c4 a5 15.Rab1 h6 16.Bxf6 Nxf6 17.Nd2 Rb8 18.Rfc1 b6 19.c5 bxc5 20.Rxb8 Qxb8 21.Nb3 a4 22.Nxc5 a3 23.h3 Qb5 24.e3 e4 25.Nxe4 Nxe4 26.Qxe4 Be6 0-1 Theis,B (2608)-Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2738) Moscow FIDE GP 2017 (10)]
5...Qxd4

(Diagram)

6.Nxd4 **a6** Prevents Nd4-b5 **7.g3** Now the game takes an interesting turn.
[7.Nc3 Nf6 Repels Nc3-d5 is the main line but I wanted to improve if it is possible. *(7...e5 8.Nd5! Ra7!* looks very artificial.*)* 8.g3 e5 9.Nb3! Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6 11.0-0 Bb4 12.Bd2 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Nc6± goes back to the main line.]
7...e5 **8.Nb3N** White is slightly better.
[8.Nf3 -0.01/19 8.Nd4-b3 0.48 f6!?]
8...Bd7 **9.Bg2** **Bc6** **10.0-0** **Bxg2**

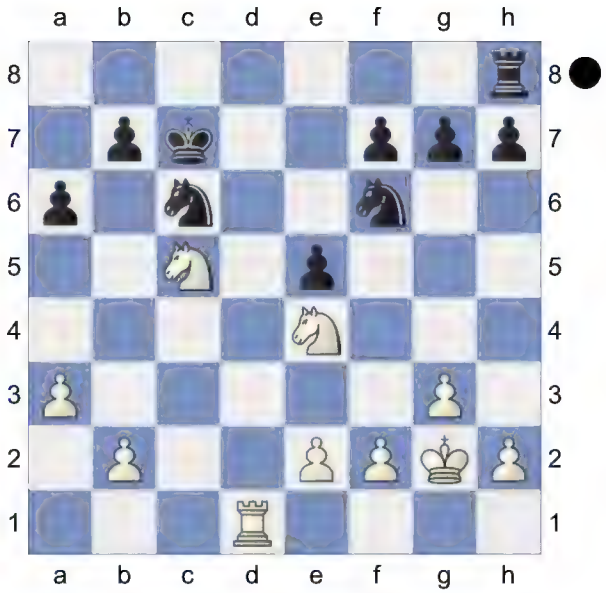


11.Kxg2 **Nc6** **12.Be3** **Nf6** **13.N1d2!?**

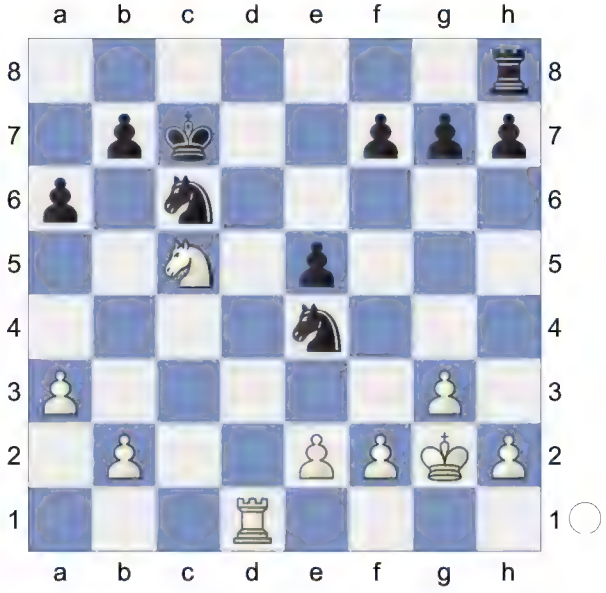
White has a small but rather nasty positional pull after this move which made me to regret my opening choice.
13...Nd5 14.Bc5 Bxc5 15.Nxc5 0-0-0!?
[15...b6 16.Nb7!? *(16.Nce4 Ke7=* is a serious alternative to the text.; *16.Na4 0-0-0)* 16...Ke7 0.59/19 *(16...Kd7=* 0.23/21 *17.Rfd1 Kc7)* 17.Rac1± Rhb8 18.Rxc6 Rxb7±]

16.Rfd1 Nf6 0.70/22
[16...b6= 0.27/19 17.Nd3 *(17.Nxa6 Kb7∓)* 17...f6]
17.Rac1 An important tempo wasted during the attack.
[17.Nc4 Kc7 Against Nc4-d6 18.Rdc1!→]
17...Kc7 18.a3?!
[Why not 18.Nc4 at once?]
18...Rd5 19.Nde4 -0.01/21
[19.e4!± 0.53/20 Rd4 20.Nc4]
19...Rxd1= 20.Rxd1

(Diagram)

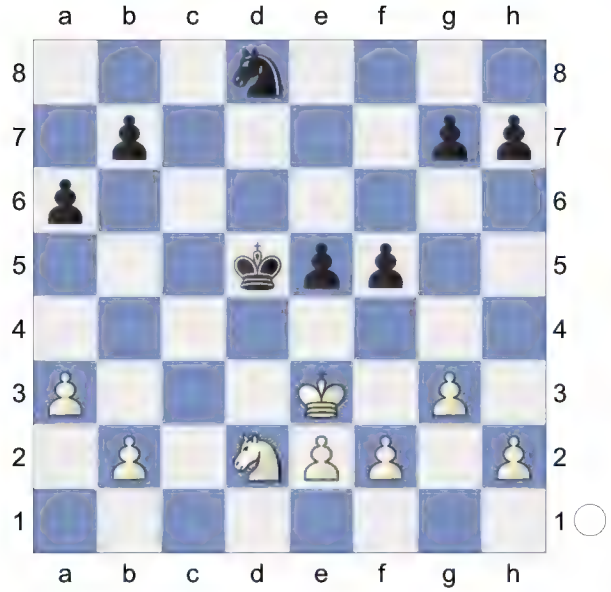


Nxe4

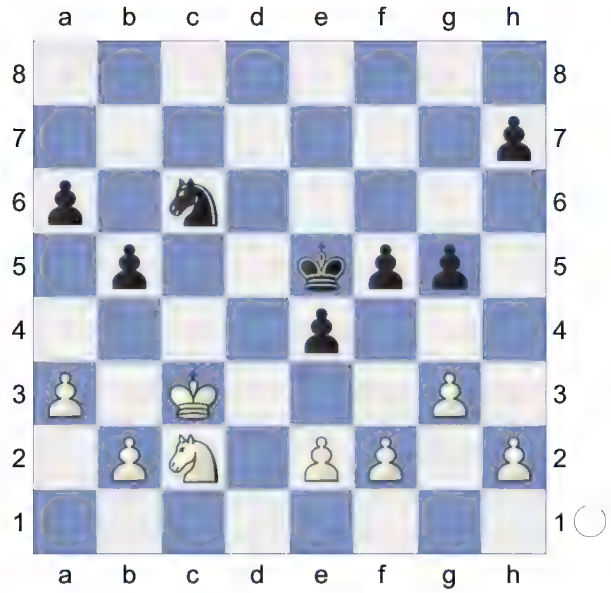


21.Nxe4 Rd8 22.Rxd8?!
[22.Rc1 Rd4 23.Kf3]
22...Nxd8 Endgame KN-KN After this only Black could be better because of the black king breaking towards the center or to the queenside before his counterpart. **23.Kf3 Kc6 24.Ke3**
[It is very difficult to appreciate 24.Nc3 Kc5! 25.Ke4 Kc4 -0.73/21 *(Better is 25...b5=* -0.05/21 *)* 26.Kxe5∓ Kb3 but it contains risks especially for White.]

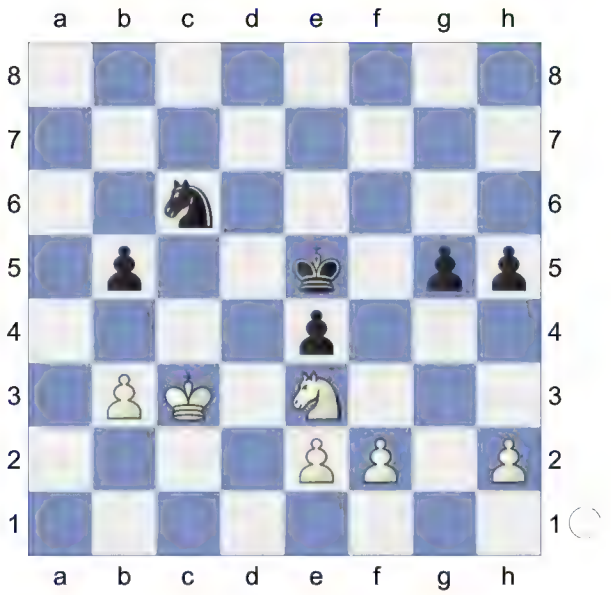
24...f5 25.Nd2 Kd5



26.Kd3 e4+ 27.Kc3 Nc6 28.Nc4 b5 29.Ne3+ Ke5 30.Nc2! Inhibits Nc6-d4.
30...g5



31.b3 I have based my hopes into this knights ending but White's position is much more resilient than it seems.
31...h5
[31...f4 32.a4! is similar to the game.]
32.a4!
[Certainly not 32.Nb4? -0.48/25 32.a3-a4 -0.01 Nd4 33.Nxa6 -1.01/23 *(33.e3∓ -0.32/24 Nf3 34.a4)* 33...Nxe2+∓ 34.Kb4? -2.80/21 *(34.Kd2 Nd4; 34.Kd2∓ -0.83/24 Nd4 35.Kc3)* 34...f4-+]
[but 32.e3 f4 33.Nb4= is another way to handle this position.]
32...f4 33.axb5?!⊕ A small inexactitude due to shortage of time.
[Simplest is 33.e3! bxa4 *(33...f3 34.Nb4; 33...fxg3 34.fxg3 g4 35.Nb4 Ne7!=)* 34.bxa4 fxg3 35.fxg3 Kf5 36.Nd4+ Nxd4 37.Kxd4 Kg4! 38.Kxe4 Kh3 39.Kf5 Kxh2 40.e4 Kxg3 41.e5 h4=]
33...axb5 34.gxf4+ -0.92/27
[34.e3= -0.12/26 keeps the balance.]
34...Kxf4!∓ At least I could have broken to one flank.
[34...gxf4 -0.35/25 34...Ke5xf4 -1.16 35.b4]
35.Ne3 Ke5 -0.54/27
[35...h4 36.b4 h3 -0.19/29 *(36...Ke5∓ -1.34/25 37.Ng4+ Kf5 38.Ne3+ Kf4)* 37.Nd5+= Ke5! 38.Ne3 looks also tough to crack.]
[35...h4∓ -1.32/27]



36.Kd2 g4? -0.01/26 These type of

moves always lock the position unnecessarily.

[36...Nd4 37.b4 Nc6 -0.01/25 *(37...Ne6∓ -0.43/26)* 38.Nc2 -0.58/28 *(*White should try *38.Nd1=* -0.01/25 *)*

A) 38...Kd5 -0.01/27 38...h5-h4 -0.58 39.Kc3 -0.42/25 *(39.Na3=* -0.01/27 is superior. *)*;

B) 38...h4!∓ -0.58/28;

C) 38...Kf4 -0.01/28 39.Ke1= *(39.Na3 e3+ 40.fxe3+ Kg4 41.Nxb5* Hoping for Kd2-c3. *Kh3 42.Nd4 Nxb4 43.Ne6 g4 44.Nf4+!=)* 39...Kg4 40.Kf1 Kh3 41.Kg1 g4 *(41...h4 42.f3!=)* 42.Kh1 h4 43.Kg1 g3 44.hxg3 hxg3 45.fxg3 Kxg3 46.Kf1= proves that even passivity works in this position.]

[36...Nd4∓ -0.78/25 37.b4 Nf5]

37.Nc2!= The position is equal. **37...b4**

[37...Nd4 38.Nxd4 Kxd4 39.e3+ Kc5 and ...Kc5-b4 would now be decisive 40.Kc3 b4+ 41.Kd2 h4 42.Ke1 Kd5 43.Kf1 Ke5 44.Kg2 Kf5 45.Kg1= It is a position where the space advantage does not really works since White allows no breaks.]

38.Ke1 Kf4 39.Ne3 h4 40.Kf1= h3

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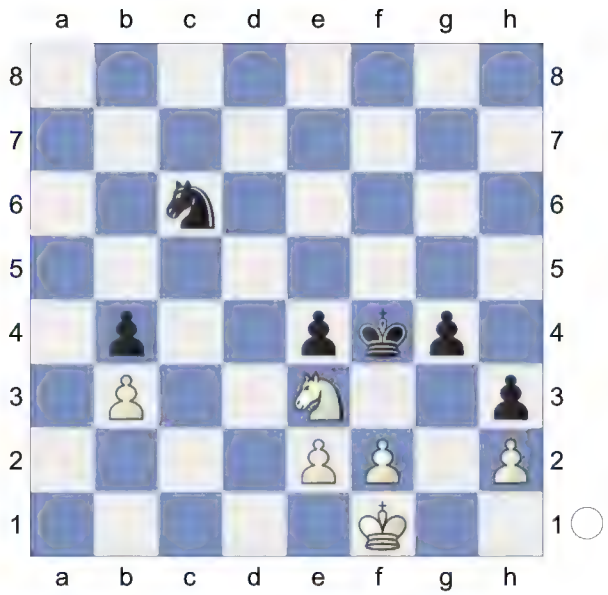
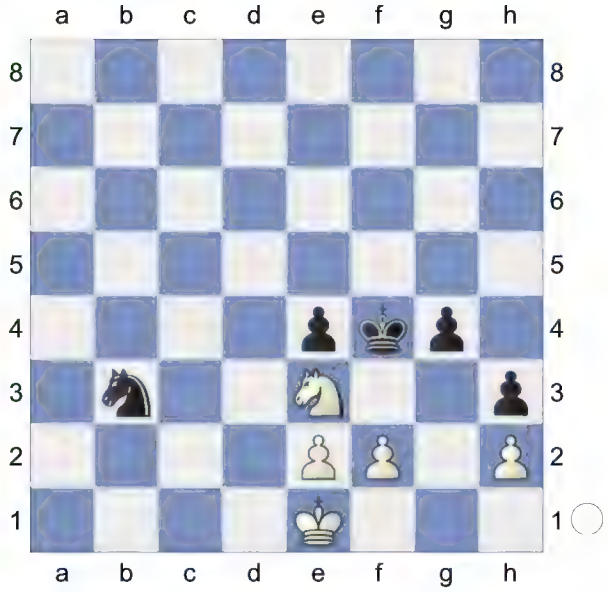


41.Nc2 Ke5 42.Ke1! Nd4 43.Nxb4

[43.Nxd4?? -12.22/25 43.Nc2xb4 0.00 Kxd4 44.Kd2 e3+-+ is just for wishful thinkers.]

43...Nxb3 44.Nc2 Kf5 45.Ne3+ Kf4



46.Nd5+ Ke5 47.Ne3 Kf4 48.Nd5+ Ke5

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Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.10 (very precise)
½-½

100 **A34**
□ **Braun,Arik** **2465**
■ **Seel,Christian** **2492**
Bundesliga 0506 (1.4) 22.10.2005
[Ribli,Zoltan]

1.d4 ChessBase Ribli Ribli/(Breutigam) Ribli/(Breutigam) **1...d5** **2.c4** **c5** Ribli/(Breutigam): 'This variation is a rare guest in tournament praxis. ' Diese Variante ist ein seltener Gast in der Turnierpraxis. Ribli/(Breutigam): 'Diese Variante ist ein seltener Gast in der Turnierpraxis. ' ChessBase: 'Diese Variante ist ein seltener Gast in der Turnierpraxis. Ribli: 'Diese Variante ist ein seltener Gast in der Turnierpraxis." **3.Nc3** Ribli/(Breutigam): 'In my opinion, the alternative 3.cxd5 offers White more chance of an opening advantagel. ' Nach meiner Meinung bietet die Alternative 3.cxd5 Weiß mehr Aussichten auf Eröffnungsvorteil.

[3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4!? *(4.Nf3)* 4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5 6.Nf3 *(6.Nc3 e5)* 6...e6 7.Nc3±]

3...Nf6 **4.Nf3** Ribli/(Breutigam): 'After a trasnposition of moves we have reached the variation 1.c4 c5 2. ♘f3 ♘f6 3. ♘c3 d5 4.d4..' Mit Zugumstellung ist die Variante 1.c4 c5 2. ♘f3 ♘f6 3. ♘c3 d5 4. d4 erreicht.

[4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5!?]

4...cxd4?!

[4...e6!? Ribli/(Breutigam): 'This move allows Black to reach the Semi-Tarrasch Variation.' Mit diesem Zug kann Schwarz die Semi-Tarrasch Variante erreichen.]

5.Nxd5 **Nxd5**

(Diagram)

6.cxd5 **Qxd5** **7.Qxd4** Ribli/(Breutigam): 'In this symmetrical position, White is a tempo up (his knight is already on f3).' In der symmetrischen Stellung hat Weiß ein Tempoplus (sein Springer steht schon auf f3). **7...Qxd4** **8.Nxd4** **a6** Ribli/(Breutigam): 'A common preparatory move in such positions, Black is preparing 9...e5.' Ein üblicher Vorbereitungszug in solchen Stellungen, Schwarz bereitet 9...e5 vor.

[Ribli/(Breutigam): 'Breutigam:' Ribli/(Breutigam): 'It is easier for White to do without the move ...a6 than in variation a1. Instead he can play the devloping move ... ♗d7. The reason: one pair of knights has already been exchanged with the result that ... ♗d7 in this case really prevents a knight from getting to b5.' Ribli/(Breutigam): 'Hier kann Weiß eher als in der Variante a1 auf den Zug ...a6 verzichten und stattdessen den Entwicklungszug ... ♗d7 spielen. Der Grund: Es ist bereits ein Springerpaar getauscht, so dass ... ♗d7 in diesem Fall wirklich einen Springer von b5 fernhält.' 8...Bd7!? 9.e4

Ribli/(Breutigam) *(or oder 9.Bf4 Ribli/(Breutigam) Nc6)* 9...Nc6 10.Be3 *(10.Nb5 Rc8=)* 10...e5 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.f3 Bb4+ 13.Kf2 0-0 14.Bc4 Rfd8 15.Rhd1 Kf8 16.Ke2 b6 17.Rxd8+ Rxd8 18.Rd1 Rxd1 19.Kxd1 h5 20.Ke2 Ke7 21.a3 Bd6 22.Kd3 f6 23.Kc3 g5 24.b4 Bd7 25.Kd3 Kd8 26.Ke2 Be8 27.Kf2 Kc7 28.g3 a5 29.Bd2 axb4 30.axb4 Kc6 31.h3 Bg6 32.g4 h4 33.Ke3 Be8 34.Kd3 Kc7 35.Kc3 Ba4 36.Be2 Kc6 37.Kb2 Bf8 38.Be1 Bd6 39.Bd2 Bf8 40.Be1 Bd6 41.Bd2 Bf8 42.Be1 Bd6 43.Bd2 Be7 44.Be1 Bd6 ½-½ Harika,D (2351)-Koneru,H (2468)/Calicut 2003/CBM 095 ext]

9.g3 e5 10.Nb3!?

[10.Nf3 Nc6 11.Bg2 Be7 *(11...Bb4+ 12.Bd2 0-0 13.Bxb4 Nxb4 14.0-0 f6 15.a3 Nc6 16.Rfd1 Be6 17.Rac1 Rfd8* ½-½ Katetov,M-Kottnauer,C/Prague 1946/MCD (31)) 12.0-0 0-0 13.e4 f6 14.Be3 Be6 15.b3 Nb4 ½-½ Andronic,I-Iurascu,M/Chisinau 2005/(38)]

[10.Nc2 Bd7 11.Bg2 Bc6 12.0-0 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Nc6 14.Rd1 Bc5 15.Rd5 Ba7 16.Be3 Rd8 17.Rad1 Rxd5 18.Rxd5 Bxe3 19.Nxe3 Ke7 1-0 Mishuchkov,N-Zhuravliov,V/Volgograd 1977/EXT 2002 (35)]

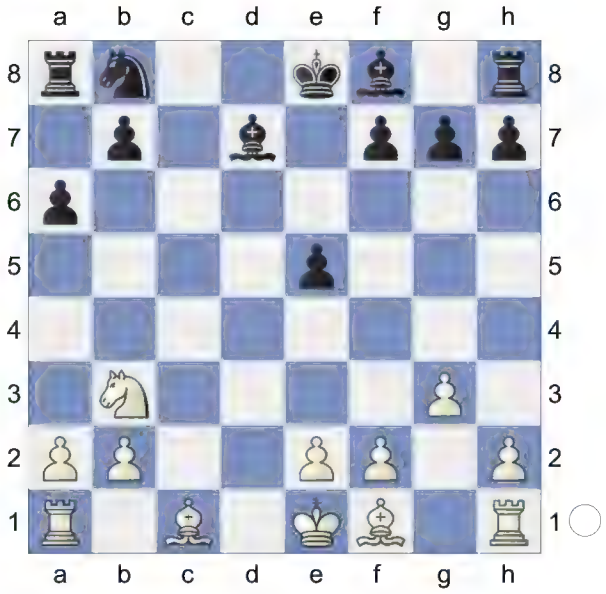
10...Bd7

[10...Nc6 11.Bg2 Bd7 12.0-0 0-0-0 13.Be3 Kb8 14.Rfd1 Be8 15.Bb6 Rxd1+ 16.Rxd1± ½-½ Sasikiran,K-Milanovic,D/playchess.com 2004/EXT 2005 (69)]

[Breutigam: Also possible is Möglich ist auch 10...Bb4+!? Ribli/(Breutigam) 11.Bd2 Bxd2+ 12.Nxd2 *(12.Kxd2 Bd7 13.Bg2 Bc6=)* 12...Be6! 13.Bg2 Nd7!

A) Breutigam: Chopping off the wood on the queenside does not bring any advantage to White: Den Damenflügel abzuholzen bringt Weiß keinen Vorteil: 14.Bxb7?! Rb8 15.Bxa6 Rxb2 16.a4 *(16.Nc4 Rc2 17.Ne3 Rxa2)* 16...Ke7 17.Bb5 Ra8 18.Rb1 *(18.Rc1 Nb6)* 18...Rc8!;

B) 14.0-0 Ke7 15.Rfc1 *(15.Nb3 Rac8 16.Bxb7 Rc2⩱)* 15...Rac8 16.Bxb7 Rxc1+ 17.Rxc1 Rb8 18.Bxa6 Rxb2=]



11.Bg2 Bb4+

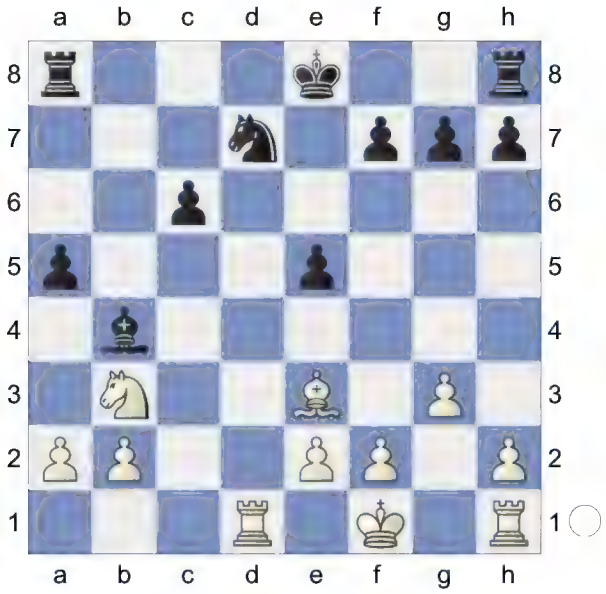
[11...Bc6 12.0-0 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Nd7 14.Be3 Bd6 15.Rfd1 Ke7 16.Rd3 Bc7 17.Rc1 Rhc8 18.Rdc3 Kd8 ½-½ Egartner,W-Gueting,J/Germany 2002/EXT 2003 (47)]

12.Kf1

[12.Bd2]

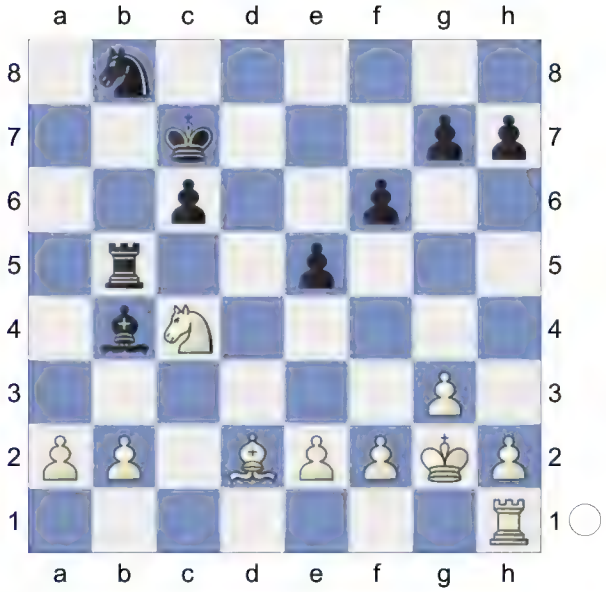
12...Bc6 13.Be3± Ribli/(Breutigam): 'White has a small but long-lasting positional advantage; his positional pressure on the queenside becomes greater.' Weiß hat einen kleinen, aber dauerhaften Positionsvorteil; sein

positioneller Druck am Damenflügel wird größer. **13...a5**
[13...Bxg2+ 14.Kxg2 Nc6 15.Rhd1±]
14.Rd1 Nd7
[14...a4 15.Nc5±]
15.Bxc6 bxc6



16.Kg2 Ribli/(Breutigam): 'White possesses a sound pawn structure, whereas the black queenside pawns are weak.' Weiß besitzt eine gesunde Bauernstruktur, während die schwarzen Bauern am Damenflügel schwach sind.
16...a4 17.Nd2 0-0-0
[17...Bxd2 18.Rxd2±]
18.Nc4± Ribli/(Breutigam): 'Even though the material is reduced, White has a positional advantage: he has the better pawn structure and his c4 ♘ is beautifully placed.' Auch wenn das Material reduziert ist, so besitzt Weiß Positionsvorteil; er hat die bessere Bauernstruktur und sein c4 ♘ steht ausgezeichnet. **18...f6 19.Rd3 Nb8** Dieser Zug verliert einen Bauern, aber guter Rat war teuer, da Weiß 20. ♖hd1 und 21. ♖xd7, 22. ♘b6+ droht mit Figurengewinn. ChessBase: 'Ribli: 'Dieser Zug verliert einen Bauern, aber guter Rat war teuer, da Weiß 20. ♖hd1 und 21. ♖xd7, 22. ♘b6+ droht mit Figurengewinn." **20.Nb6+ Kc7**

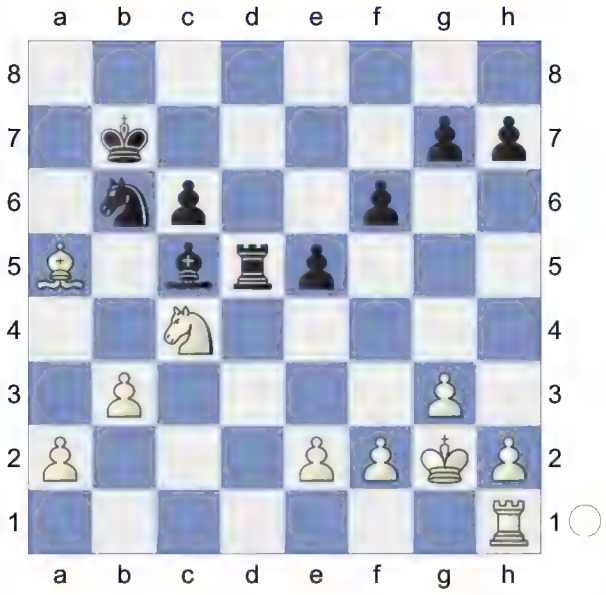
21.Rxd8 Rxd8 22.Nxa4 Rd5 23.Nb6
[23.a3±]
23...Rb5 24.Nc4 Bc5 25.Bd2
[25.Bxc5 Rxc5 26.b3±]
25...Bb4



26.Bc1
[26.Bxb4 Rxb4 27.b3±]
26...Rd5 27.b3 Nd7 28.Be3 Bc5 29.Bd2 Nb6 30.Ba5! Weiß möchte die Stellung mit 31. ♗xb6 vereinfachen,

wonach er ein technisch gewonnenes Endspiel mit einem "ewigen" Springer auf c4 erhält. ChessBase: 'Ribli: 'Weiß möchte die Stellung mit 31. ♗xb6 vereinfachen, wonach er ein technisch gewonnenes Endspiel mit einem "ewigen" Springer auf c4 erhält."

30...Kb7



31.Bxb6 Bxb6 32.Kf3 f5 33.e3 g5 34.Ke2 e4 35.h4 f4

[35...h6 36.hxg5 hxg5 37.Rh7+ Bc7 38.g4 f4 *(38...fxg4 39.Re7+-)* 39.Re7+-]

[35...g4 36.Rd1]

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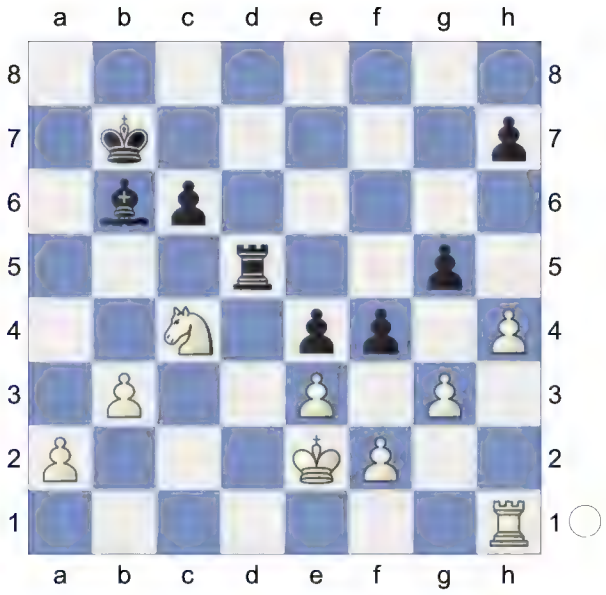
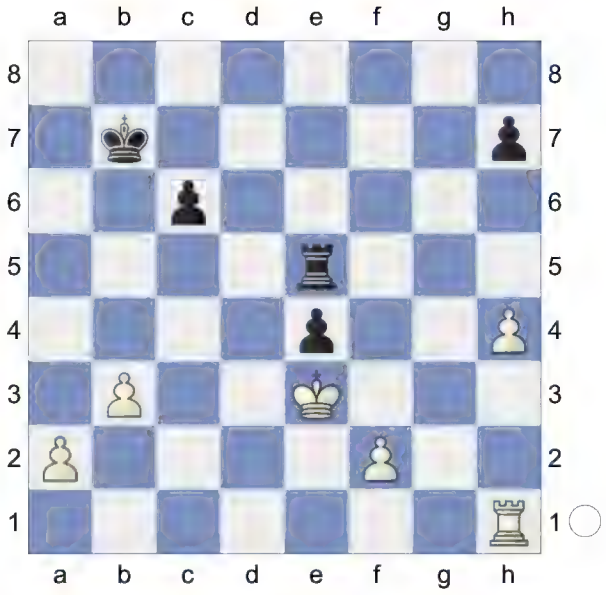


36.gxf4 gxf4 37.exf4+- Weiß hat zwei Bauern mehr und steht auf Gewinn. ChessBase: 'Ribli: 'Weiß hat zwei Bauern mehr und steht auf Gewinn."

37...Bc7 38.Ke3 Rf5 39.Ne5 Bxe5 40.fxe5 Rxe5

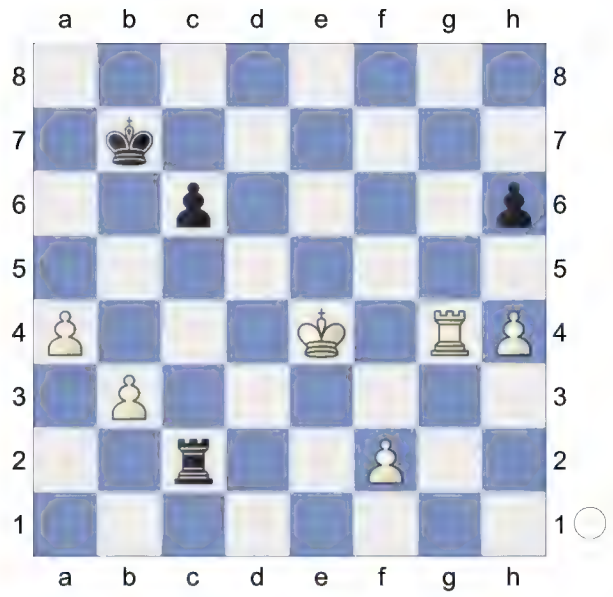


41.Rg1 h6 42.Rg6 Rh5 43.Rg4

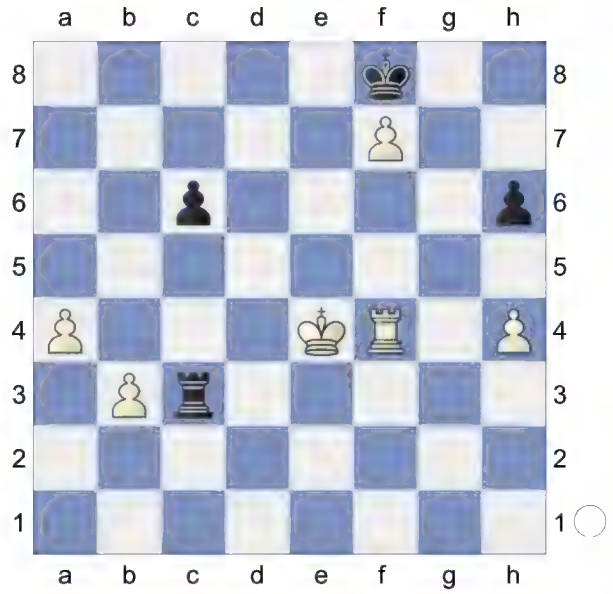
[43.Kxe4 Rxh4+ 44.f4+-]

43...Ra5 44.a4 Rc5 45.Kxe4 Rc2

(Diagram)



46.f4 Rc3 47.f5 Kc7
[47...Rxb3 48.f6+-]
48.f6 Kd7 49.f7 Ke7 50.Rf4 Kf8



51.Rf3 Rc1 52.Ke5 Rc2 53.b4 Rc1 54.a5 h5 55.Rf4 Ra1

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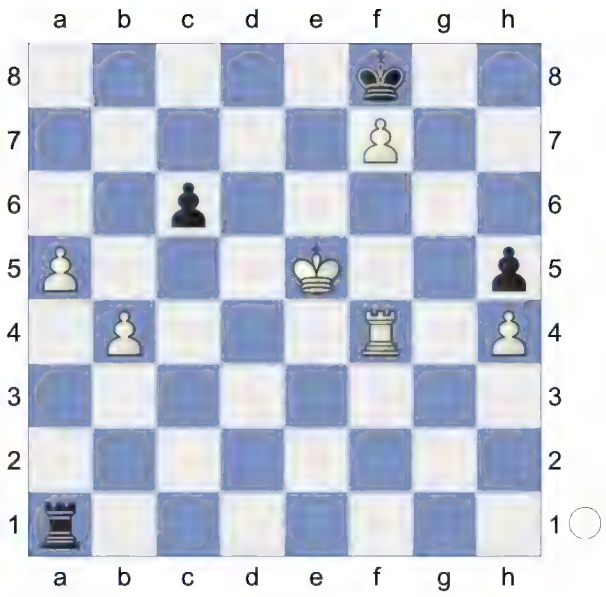

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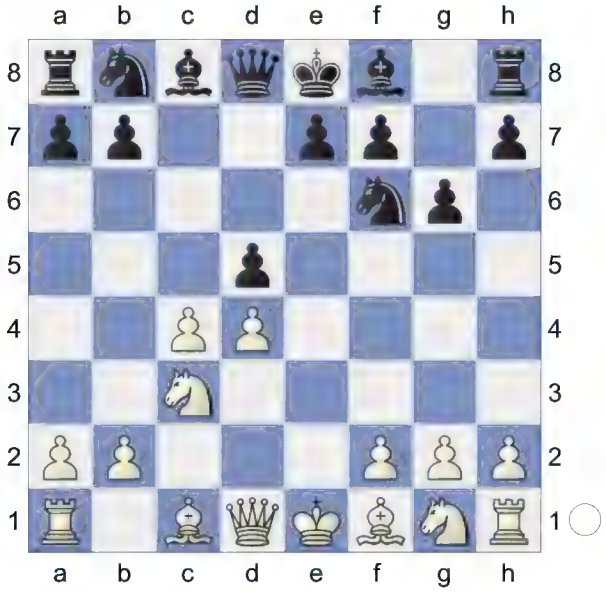
101 **B14**
□ **Finkel,Alexander** **2462**
■ **Kudischewitsch,David** **2385**
ISR-chT Israel (11) 14.05.2005
[Finkel,Alexander]

1.d4 Finkel,A Finkel,A **1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.e3 cxd4 4.exd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6**



6.cxd5 Bg7 7.Bb5+ Nbd7 8.d6 0-0!?
[8...exd6 9.Qe2+ Qe7 10.Bf4 Qxe2+ 11.Ngxe2 Ke7]
9.dxe7 Qxe7+ 10.Nge2
[10.Be2 b5 11.Nxb5 Bb7 12.Kf1 Nb6 13.Bf3 Ba6 14.a4 Rad8 15.Ne2 Qd7 16.b3 Rfe8⩱ Ljubojevic,L-Wade,R/Teeside 1972]
10...a6
[10...Nb6 11.0-0 a6 12.Bd3 Nfd5 13.Bd2 Be6 14.a3 Rfd8 15.Re1 Qh4 16.Ne4 h6 17.Ba5 Bf5 18.N4c3 Bxd3 19.Qxd3± Berkovich,M-Aizpurua Blanco,J/Andorra 2001]
[10...h6 11.Bd3 b5 12.a3 Nb6 13.0-0 Bb7 14.Bf4 Nfd5 15.Bg3 h5 16.h3 h4 17.Bh2 Rfe8 18.Re1 Nxc3 19.bxc3 Qg5∞ Stevic,H-Solak,D/Istanbul 2003]

11.Bxd7
[11.Bd3 b5
A) 12.0-0 Bb7 13.Bf4 *(13.Ng3 Rfe8 14.a3 Nb6 15.Bg5 h6 16.Be3 Nfd5 17.Re1 Qh4↑* Alavkin,A-Turov,M/Krasnodar 1997*; 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Nb6 15.Re1 Qd7 16.f3 Rfe8 17.Qb3 Nbd5↑* Kiselev,G-Turov,M/Polanica Zdroj 1997*)* 13...b4 14.Na4 Nd5 15.Bd2 Qh4 16.Rc1 Rfc8 17.Rxc8+ Rxc8 18.Bc1 Bf8↑ Todorovic,J-Gurgenidze,B/Belgrade 1988;
B) 12.a3 Bb7 13.0-0 Rfd8 14.Bf4 Nh5 15.Be3 Nb6 16.Qb3 Nd5 17.Bd2 Qh4 18.Rfe1 Ndf6⇄ Kveinys,A-Gross,S/Rimavska Sobota 1990]
11...Bxd7
[11...Qxd7 12.0-0 b5 13.Bf4 Bb7 14.Be5 Rfe8 *(14...Rad8 15.Qb3* ½-½ Stean,M-Bronstein,D/Teeside 1975 *)* 15.Qb3 Ng4 16.Bxg7 Qc6 17.d5 Qd6 18.Ng3 Kxg7 19.Qd1 Qf4⇄ Frolyanov,D-Malofeev,A/St Petersburg 2002]

12.0-0
[12.Bg5 Qd6 13.0-0 Rfe8 14.Bf4 Qb4 15.Be5 Bg4 16.f3 Be6 17.Qd2 Rad8 18.Rad1 Bc4⩲ Frolyanov,D-Deviatkin,A/St Petersburg 2001]
12...b5 13.Re1?!
[13.Bg5 Bc6 14.d5 Rfd8 15.Qb3 Bb7 16.Rad1 Qe5 17.Bh4 Rd7 18.Bg3 Qf5 19.Nd4 Qh5 20.Nc6± Pavasovic,D-Chernyshov,K/Pardubice 1998]
13...Bc6
[13...b4! 14.Nf4 *(14.Na4 Rae8 15.Bd2 Bb5 16.Nec3 Qd7 17.Nxb5 axb5 18.Nc5 Qxd4∓)* 14...Qd6 15.Nce2 Rfe8⩲]
14.Nf4 Qd6
[14...Qd7]
15.Be3 Rfd8
[15...b4 16.Nce2 *(16.Na4? Bh6 17.g3 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.f3 Bxe3+ 20.Rxe3 Bxa4 21.Qxa4 Qxd4∓)* 16...Ng4 17.Ng3 Nxe3 18.fxe3 Rfe8 19.Qd3 a5⩲]

16.a3 Rac8
[16...a5!?]
17.h3± Ne4 18.Rc1 Qb8
[18...Nxc3 19.Rxc3 h6!? *(19...Bxd4?? 20.Rd3+-)*]
19.Nxe4 Bxe4 20.Qd2 Qd6

21.Ne2 Bb7 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Rc1 Re8
[23...Rxc1+ 24.Nxc1 h6 25.Qc3 Kh7 26.Nd3±]
24.Nc3 Qc6?!
[24...Rd8 25.Rd1]
25.d5 Qc4

26.d6 Rd8
[26...Qc6 2.18/22 26...Rd8 1.48 27.f3 Qd7 3.11/20 *(⩲27...Rc8* 1.63/22

28.d7 Rd8) 28.Bc5 1.40/19 *(28.Ne4+-* 3.11/20 has better winning chances. *Bxe4 29.Rc7)* 28...Be5 29.Rd1 Re6 1.81/21 *(29...Bc6±* 1.35/22 is a better defense. *30.b4 Qe6)* 30.b4±]

27.f3!? f5?!

[27...Qe6]

28.b4! 1.09/21

[⌓28.Kh1 1.60/21]

28...Be5± 29.Ne4!

[Don't play 29.d7?! Qe6=]

29...Qf7? 2.18/21

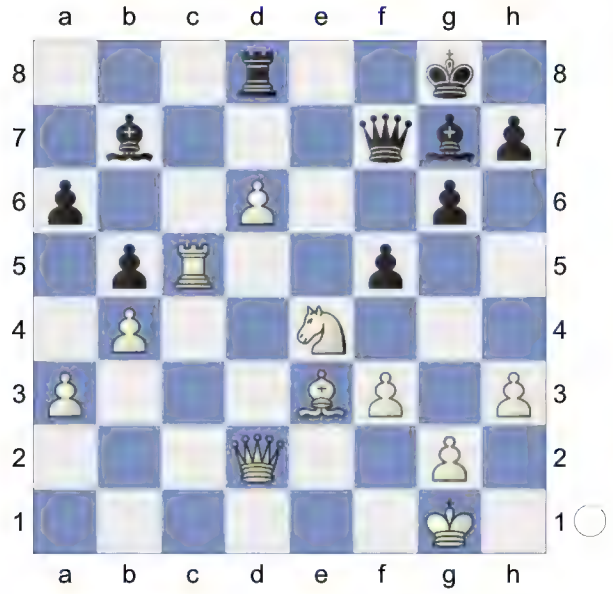
[29...Qd5! 30.Qxd5+ Bxd5 31.Rc5 Bxe4 *(31...Bxd6 32.Rxd5 fxe4 33.fxe4 Bc7 34.Kf2!±)* 32.Rxe5 Bc6 33.Bc5 0.87/23 *(⌓33.Re6* 1.23/23) 33...Re8± 34.Rxe8+ 0.76/25 *(⌓34.Re7* 1.34/23 *Rxe7 35.dxe7)* 34...Bxe8±]

[29...Qd5± 1.07/25 keeps fighting. 30.Qxd5+ Bxd5]

30.Rc5! Bg7? 6.26/20

[30...fxe4 31.Rxe5 exf3 32.Re7 Qd5 33.Qb2! f2+ 34.Qxf2 Qd1+ 35.Qf1±]

[30...fxe4 2.02/23 31.Rxe5 exf3]



31.Ng5+- Qb3 32.Kf2?! 2.18/21

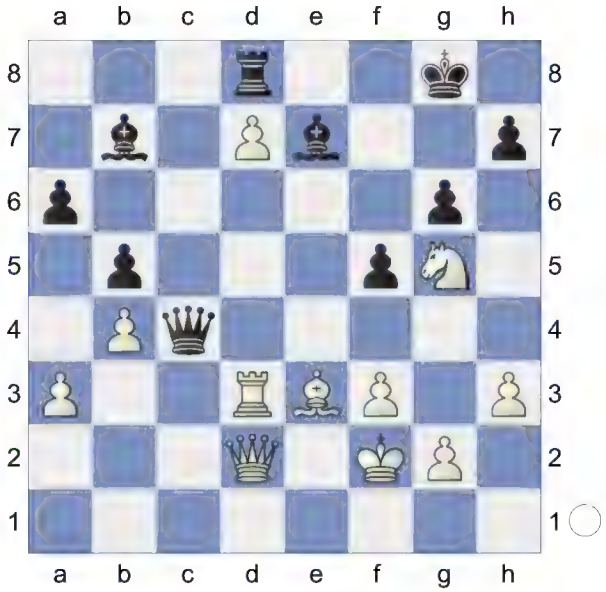
[32.Rc7! Hoping for Bd4. Qd5 Inhibits Bd4. *(32...Bd5?* 16.84/26 32...Be5 3.52 *33.Rxg7+ Kxg7 34.Qd4+ Kg8 35.Qe5+-)* 33.Rxb7 Qxb7 34.Qa2+ Kh8 35.Nf7++-]

[⌓32.Rc7 6.43/24 White threatens Bd4 and mate. Be5 33.Nf7 *(33.Rxb7 Rxd6 34.Qe2 Bg3=)* 33...Qxf7 34.Rxf7 Kxf7 35.Bc5]

32...Bf8? 5.73/25

[32...Qb2 2.18/21 is more resistant. 33.Qxb2 Bxb2]

33.Rc3+- Qd5 34.Rd3 Qc4 35.d7 Be7



36.Rd4?!

[36.Bb6! Qh4+ 37.g3 Qxg5 38.Qxg5 Bxg5 39.Bxd8 Bxd8 40.Re3 Kf7 41.Re8+-]

36...Qb3 37.Bf4 h6? 8.43/25

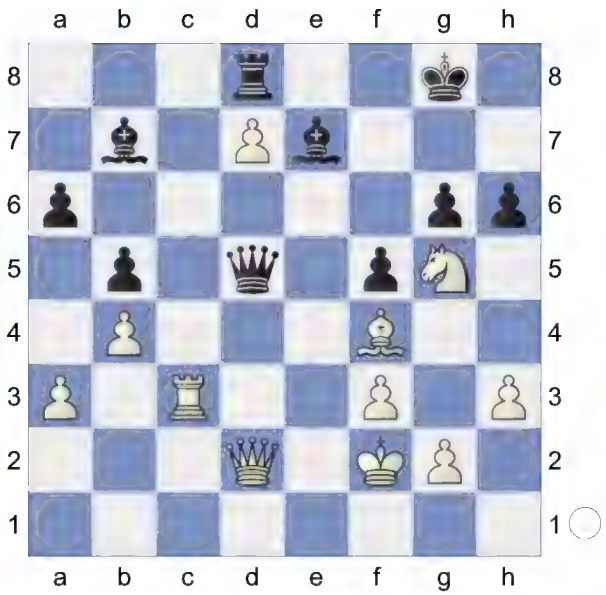
[37...Bc6 3.51/21 38.h4 h6]

38.Rd3

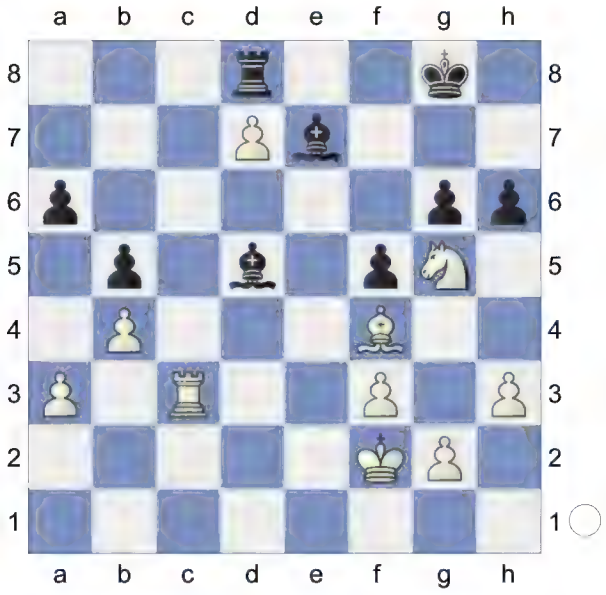
[38.Qe2!]

38...Qc4 39.Rc3 Qd5

(Diagram)



40.Qxd5+! Bxd5



41.Rc8! hxg5 42.Bc7 Kf7

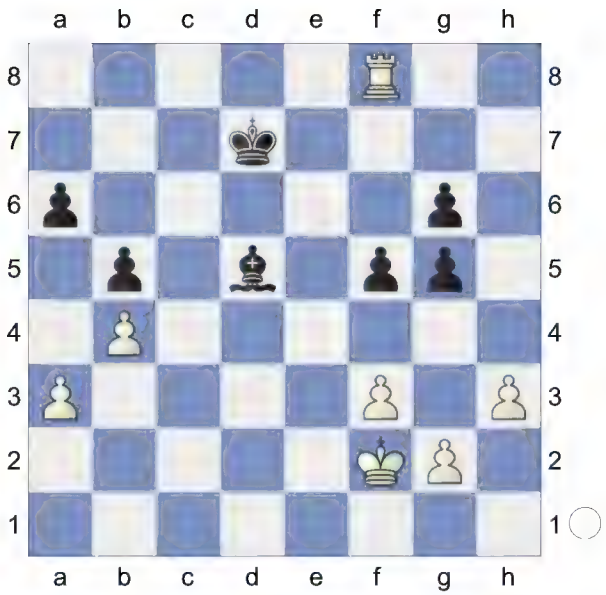
[42...Rf8

A) 43.Rxf8+? 0.58/23 43.Bd6 7.96 Kxf8 44.Bd6 0.01/25 *(White should try 44.d8Q+± 0.58/29 Bxd8 45.Bxd8)* 44...Kf7=;

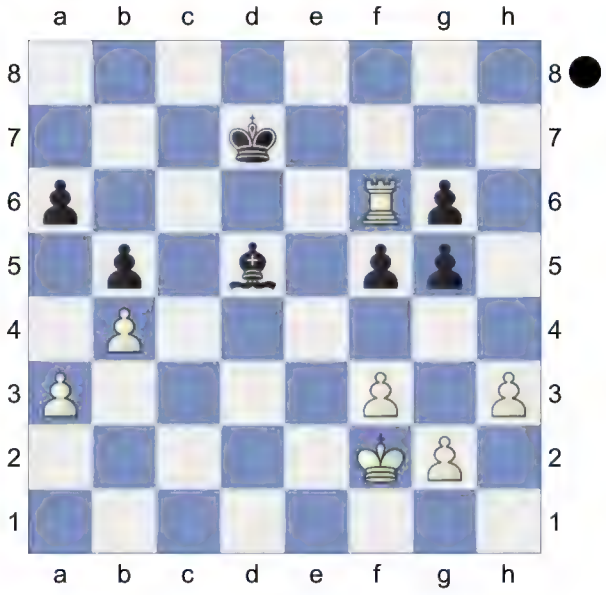
B) 43.Bd6! Be6 44.Rxf8+ Kxf8 45.d8Q++-]

43.Bxd8 Bxd8 44.Rxd8 Ke7 45.Rf8 Kxd7

(Diagram)



46.Rf6



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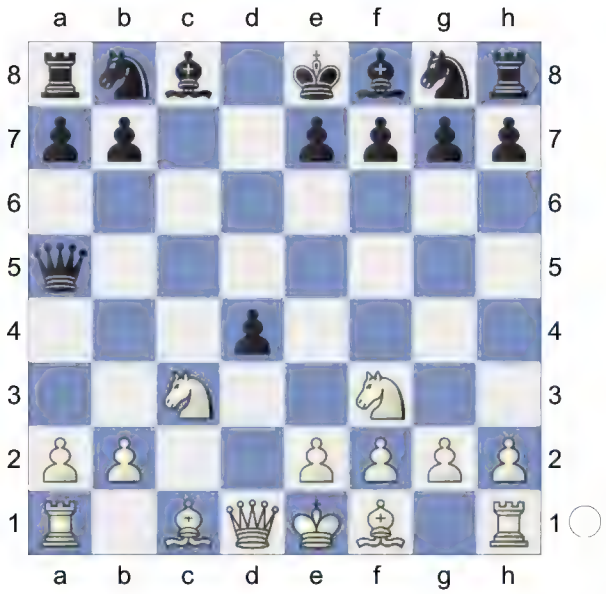
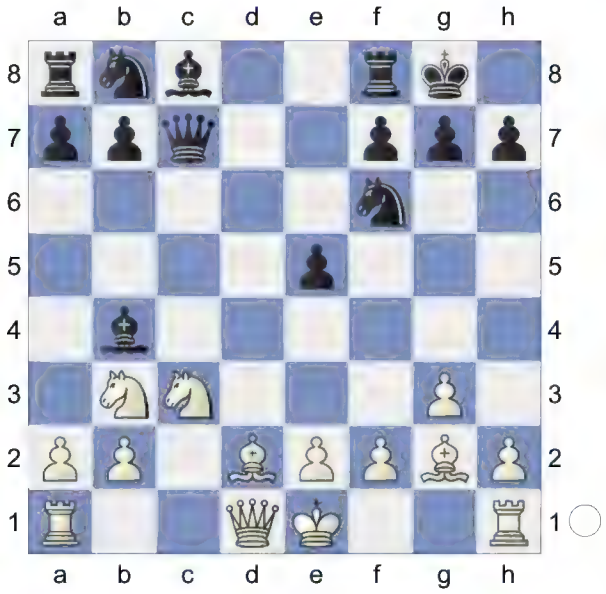
102 **D06**
□ **Saraci,Nderim** **2440**
■ **Feuerstack,Aljoscha** **2466**
EU-Cup 39th Vrnjacka Banja (5.1)
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5**

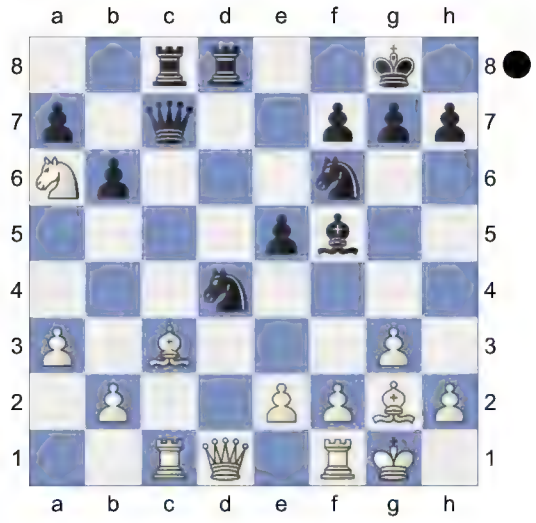


6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.g3 e5 8.Nb3 White is slightly better. **8...Qc7 9.Bg2 Bb4 10.Bd2 0-0**



11.0-0 11.Rc1 deserves study. 11.Tc1 verdient Beachtung. **11...Nc6**
[11...Rd8 12.Rc1 Nc6 13.Qc2 Be6 14.Bg5 Rac8 15.e3 Na5 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Nxa5 Bxa5 18.Qa4 Kg7 19.a3 Rd2 20.Ne2 Qd8 21.Rxc8 Bxc8 22.b4 Bb6 23.Nc3 f5 24.Qb5 Qd6 25.Nd5 Bd8 26.Rc1 ½-½ Delmarko,D (2728)-Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2747) Bodensee op Bregenz 2023 (2)]
12.a3N -0.02/20
[12.Qc1± 0.34/19 Bg4 13.h3 Bxc3 14.Bxc3 Bxe2 15.Re1 Bc4 16.Nd2 #7 12) Austrian / Symmetrical De-Austrian Defence: 3...Qxd5]
[12.Rc1 Bf5 13.Qe1 Bxc3 14.Bxc3 Be4 15.Bh3 Bd5 16.Nd2 Rfe8 17.b3 Rad8 18.e4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Qe2 h6 21.Nf3 Qb6 22.Rfe1 a6 23.Kg2 Qb5 24.Qxb5 axb5 25.Re2 Ra8 26.Be1 Nd4 1-0 Peltais,A (2622)-6.f4 ♕c7 7. ♕f3_62295 (2521) Jugoslavija (ch) 35/432 1983 (9)]
12...Bxc3= 13.Bxc3 Rd8N 0.43/21
[13...Bf5 14.Nc5 -0.16/18 *(⌓14.Rc1 0.20/20)* 14...Rac8 0.64/20 *(Black should play 14...Rad8!= -0.16/18 15.Qa4 Nd5)* 15.Rc1 0.10/20 *(White should play 15.Qa4± 0.64/20)* 15...Rfd8= 16.Qb3 b6 17.Na6 -0.42/21 *(17.Nd3= -0.04/23)* 17...Nd4 18.Qd1? -4.58/21 *(18.Nxc7= -0.26/22 Nxb3 19.Rcd1)*

(Diagram)



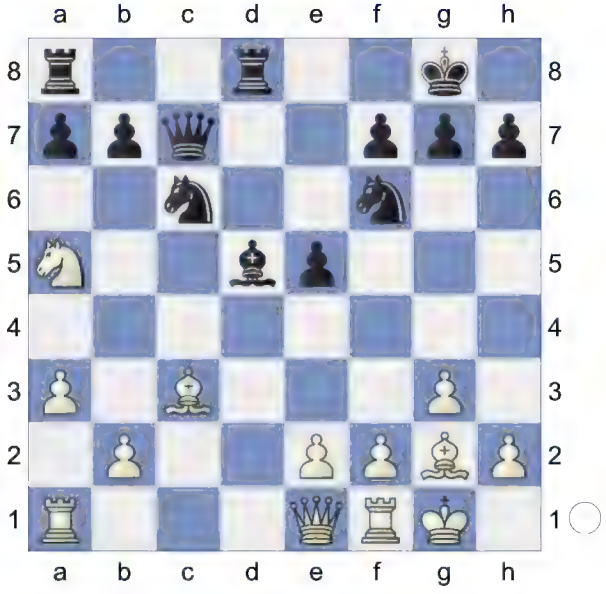
18...Qc4!-+ 19.Bxd4 Qxa6 20.Rxc8 Qxc8 21.Bxe5 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 0-1 Potkin,V (2583)-Ulybin,M (2455) RUS-chT rapid 2019 (9.2)]

[13...Qb6= -0.01/22]

14.Qe1 0.05/19

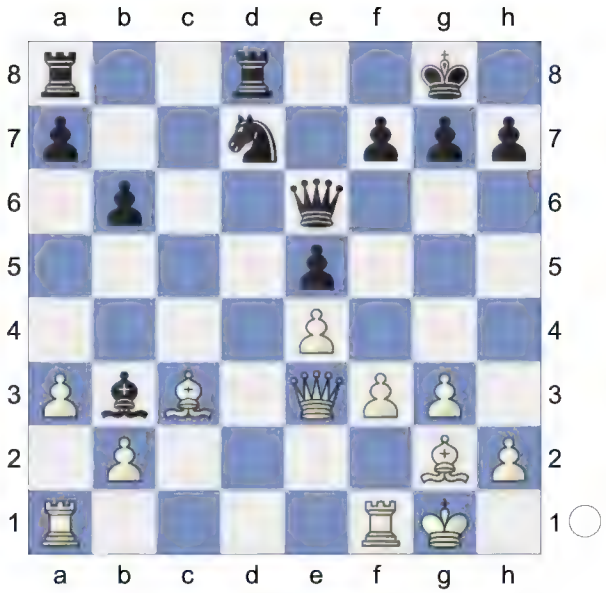
[14.Qc1± 0.43/21 a5 15.Nc5]

14...Be6 15.Na5 Threatens to win with Na5xc6. **15...Bd5**



16.Nxc6 Qxc6 17.f3 White is weak on the light squares **17...Bb3 18.Qf2 Qe6 19.e4 b6 20.Qe3 Nd7**

(Diagram)



21.f4 f6 0.35/19

[21...h6= -0.01/19 might be stronger.]

22.fxe5 -0.01/21

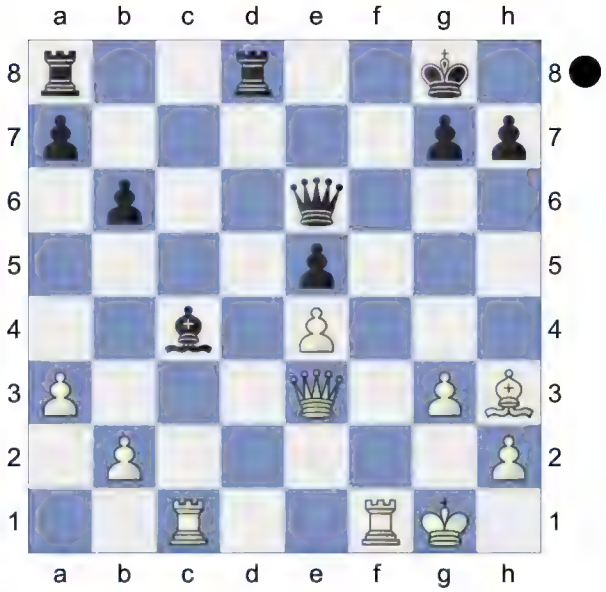
[22.h4± 0.35/19]

22...Nxe5= The position is equal.

23.Bxe5 fxe5 24.Rac1

[24.Bh3!? Qxh3 25.Qxb3+ Kh8 26.Rad1=]

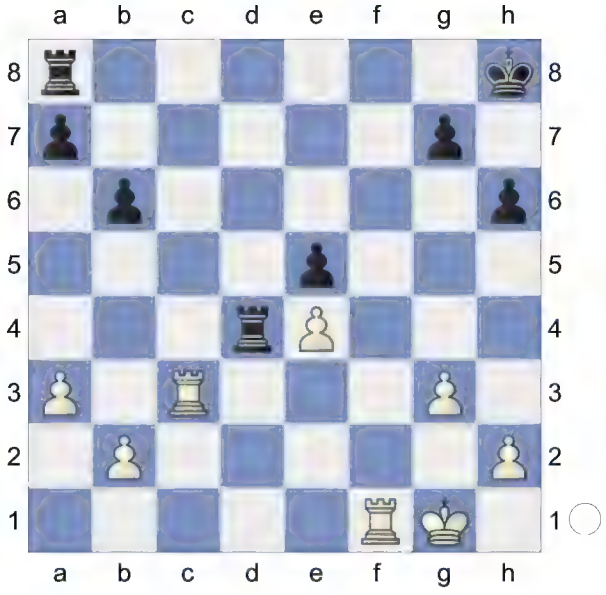
24...Bc4 25.Bh3



Deflection **25...Qxh3**

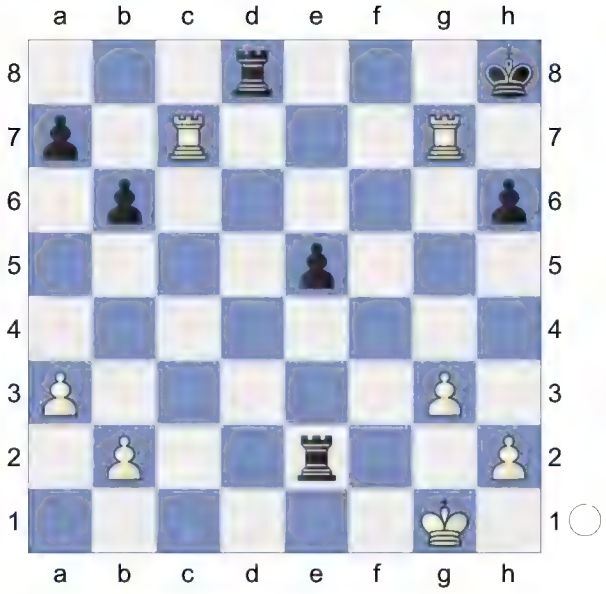
(Diagram)

26.Rxc4 h6 27.Rc6
[27.Rc7 is interesting. Qe6 28.Qf3 Rf8 29.Qd3]
27...Kh8 28.Qf2 Qd7 29.Rc3 Qd4 30.Qxd4 Rxd4

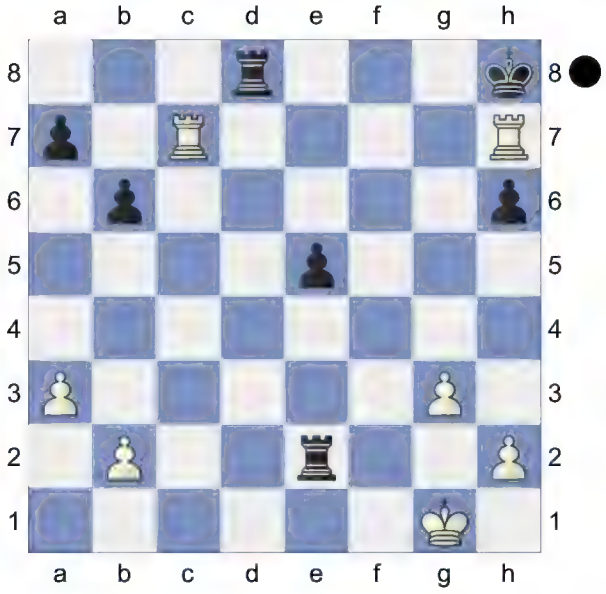


Endgame KRR-KRR **31.Rc7 Rxe4 32.Rff7 Re2 33.Rxg7**
[Much worse is 33.Rxa7 Rxa7 34.Rxa7 Rxb2∓]
33...Rd8 34.Rh7+
[34.Rxa7? Rd1#]
34...Kg8 35.Rhg7+
[35.Rxa7? Rd1#]

35...Kh8



36.Rh7+
[36.Rxa7? Rd1#]
36...Kg8 37.Rhg7+
[37.Rxa7? Rd1#]
37...Kh8 38.Rh7+
[38.Rxa7? Rd1#]



Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)
½-½

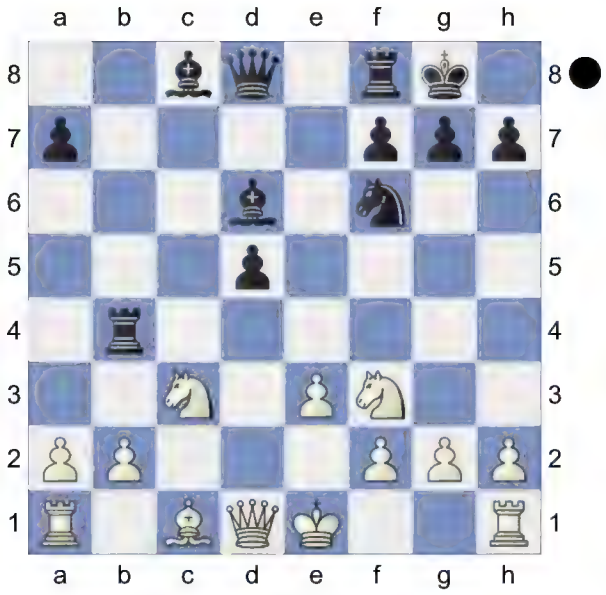
103 **D32**
□ **Dong,Bao Nghia** **2227**
■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2770**
Chess.com Bullet Open 1 (1) 19.12.2020
[GM Swapnil Dhopade]

D32: Tarrasch Defence: Sidelines and lines without g3 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.Nc3 cxd4N
[3...Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 e5 6.Nf3 d4 7.Nb1 Nc6 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 dxe3 10.fxe3 0-0 11.a3 Bxd2+ 12.Qxd2 Qe7 13.Nc3 Rd8 14.Qc1 e4 15.Nd2 Bg4 16.h3 Bh5 17.g4 Bg6 18.Qc2 Chapter-Games Game 2 (34)]
4.Qxd4 e6 5.cxd5 Nc6

6.Qa4 exd5 7.e3 Nf6 8.Nf3 Bd6
9.Bb5 0-0 Black has an edge.
10.Bxc6?! Grabbing a pawn is risky for White as he is behind in development and his king has not castled yet.
[10.0-0 Is a better try for White as mentioned in Chapter 4.]
10...bxc6

11.Qxc6 Rb8 12.Qa4
[12.0-0 Bg4→ Gives Black good attacking chances.]
12...Rb4 Black has compensation.
13.Qd1
[13.Qxa7 is met by Re8 0.01/21 with ideas like ...d4. *(13...Rg4∓ -0.43/23 14.0-0 Ne4)* 14.0-0!= Rg4! A swift transfer of the rook on the kingside. Black now threatens to play ...Re7 when White's queen comes under trouble. And now ...Re7 would win. 15.g3 h5! The h-pawn joins the party! 16.Bd2 h4→ and Black creates a powerful attack on the kingside.]

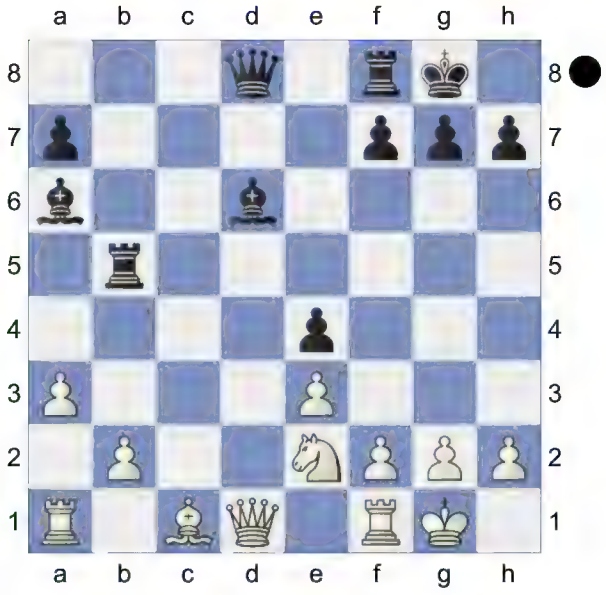
(Diagram)



13...Ba6! White's king is now stuck in the centre. **14.a3** -1.34/22
[14.Ne2!= -0.28/21 keeps the balance.]
14...Rb8 -0.24/23 &Nero is more active.
[it was much stronger to keep the rook active with 14...Rg4! 15.g3 d4!! Opening up as many lines and possible. 16.Nxd4 Be5 17.Nf3 -2.57/24 *(17.Qa4∓ -1.29/21 Qa8 18.Rg1 Bxd4 19.Qxa6 Bxc3+ 20.bxc3)* 17...Qa8!-+ Pinning the f3-knight and threatening to play .. .Rd8. Black has a winning position.]
[14...Rg4∓ -1.34/22 15.g3 Re8]
15.Nd4 -1.14/18
[15.Ne2 was essential, preparing to 0-0. Though after Ne4 16.0-0! Qf6⩲ Black's Pieces are active providing him a good compensation for the pawn.]
[15.b4= -0.24/23]
15...Ne4∓

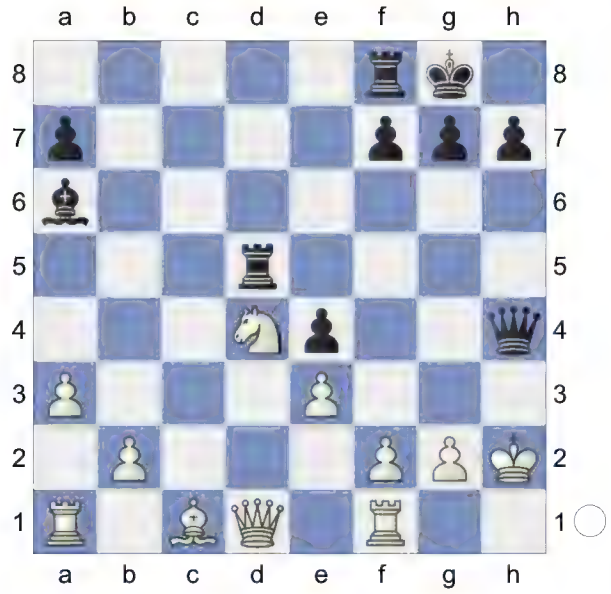
(Diagram)

16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Ne2 -1.86/19
[17.h4∓ -1.12/19]
17...Rb5 -0.78/18
[17...Qc7-+ -1.86/19 is more deadly. Threatens to win with ...Rfd8. 18.Nd4 Qa5+ 19.Bd2 Qg5]
18.0-0? -10.42/25
[18.b4∓ -0.78/18]

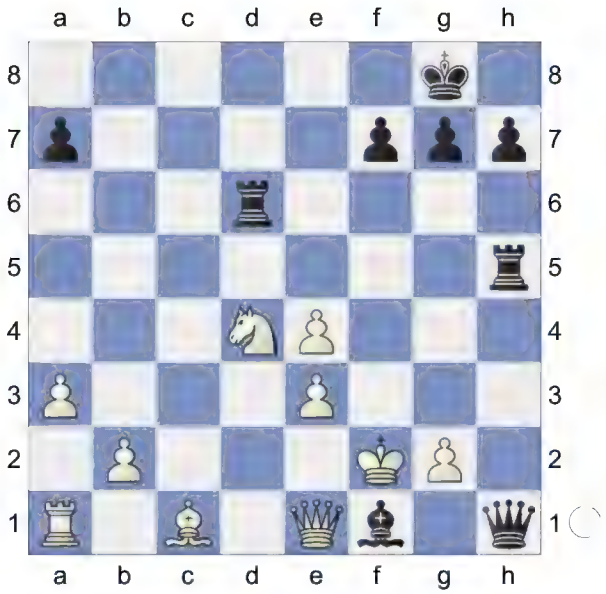


18...Bxh2+!-+ A crushing blow! **19.Kxh2**
[19.Kh1 Rd5]
19...Rd5? -1.97/23
[19...Qh4+ -16.81/29 20.Kg1 Rh5]

20.Nd4? -3.70/23
[20.Qe1 -1.97/23 Rh5+ 21.Kg1]
20...Qh4+!
[20...Bxf1 21.Qxf1 Qh4+ 22.Kg1=]



21.Kg1 Rh5 22.f3 -20.10/27
[⌓22.f4 -4.01/23 Rh6 23.Nf5 Qh2+ 24.Kf2]
22...Rd8 -5.10/26
[22...Qh2+! was finished on the spot. 23.Kf2 Rg5 (→ ...Qg3+) 24.Rg1 Qg3#]
[22...exf3 23.Nxf3 Qh1+ 24.Kf2 Bxf1 25.Qxf1±]
[⌓22...Qh2+ -20.10/27 23.Kf2 Rg5]
23.fxe4 Rd6 24.Qe1 -#5/12
[24.Bd2-+ -4.95/22 Qh2+ 25.Kf2 Rf6+ 26.Qf3 Bxf1 27.Rxf1 Qh4+ 28.Ke2 Rxf3 29.Nxf3 Qxe4 30.Kf2]
24...Qh1+? -2.63/5
[24...Qh2+! 25.Kf2 Rf6+ 26.Nf3 Rg5-+ and now it is a mate in 2 moves.]
[24...Qh2+ -#5/12 mates 25.Kf2 Rg6 26.Qe2 Qg3+ 27.Kg1 Bxe2 28.Nxe2 Qxg2#]
25.Kf2 Bxf1 -2.11/21
[25...Rf6+ -12.91/23 26.Nf3 Qh4+ 27.Kg1 Rxf3! 28.Qxh4 Rxf1+ 29.Kh2 Rxh4+ 30.Kg3 Rhh1]

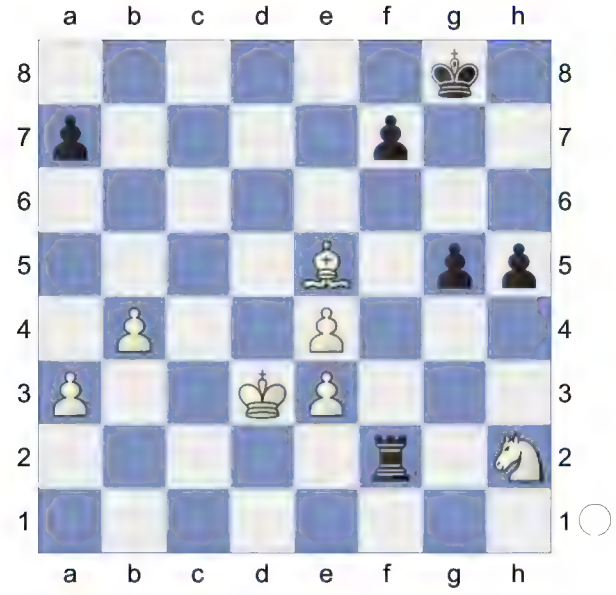


26.Qxf1 Rf6+? -0.40/23
[26...Qh4+-+ -2.14/23 27.Ke2 Qxe4]
27.Nf3∓ Qxf1+ 1.96/5
[27...Qh4+!= -0.01/21 and Black has nothing to worry. 28.Ke2 *(28.Kg1? Rxf3 29.Qxf3 Qe1+ 30.Qf1 Rh1+ 31.Kxh1 Qxf1+ 32.Kh2 Qd3-+)* 28...Qxe4]
28.Kxf1+- Rh1+

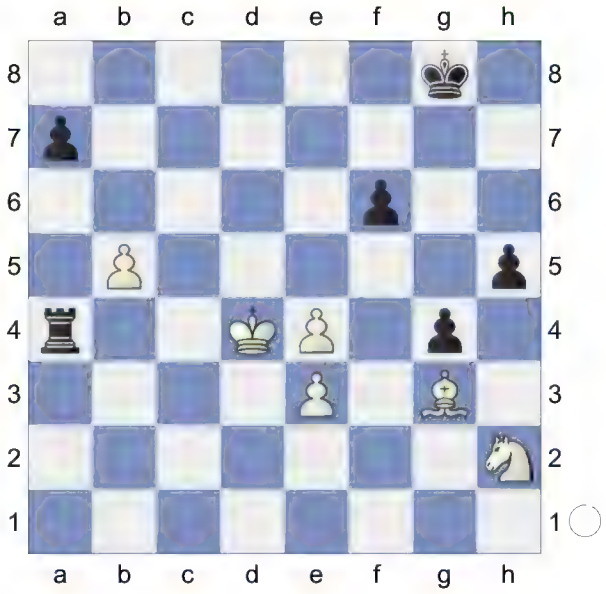
29.Ke2! h5 30.b4 Hoping for Bb2.

30...Rc6

31.Bb2 Rc2+? 3.61/23
[31...Rxa1 2.08/26 was necessary. 32.Bxa1 Rc2+ 33.Nd2 Ra2]
32.Kd3 Rxa1 33.Bxa1 0.61/24
[33.Kxc2+- 3.79/23 Rf1 34.Bd4]
33...Rxg2± 34.Be5 0.01/22
[34.Bd4± 0.65/22]
34...Rf2= 35.Nh2 g5

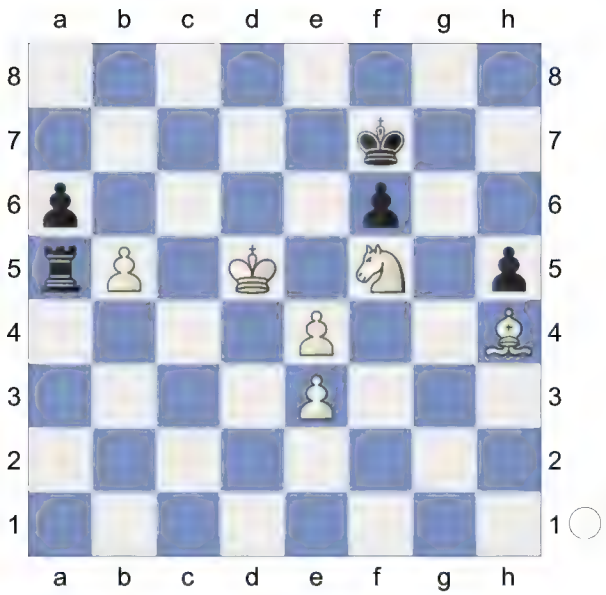


36.a4! g4 37.b5? -1.60/23
[37.a5= 0.01/20]
37...f6? -0.01/23
[37...Ra2∓ -1.60/23 38.Nf1 Kh7]
38.Bf4 -0.87/22
[38.Bc7= -0.01/23]
38...Ra2∓ 39.Bg3? -2.57/22
[39.Nf1∓ -0.88/22 was called for.]
39...Ra3+ 40.Kd4 Rxa4+

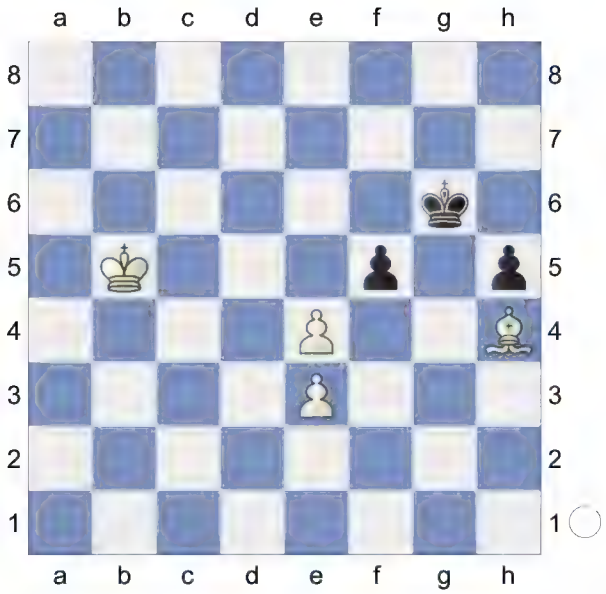


41.Kd5 Kf7 42.Bh4? -3.87/22
[42.Kc5 -2.12/20]
42...Ra2? -0.01/19
[Better is 42...Ra1-+ -3.87/22 43.e5 fxe5]
43.Nf1= g3? 1.88/23
[43...a5= -0.01/23 44.bxa6 Ra5+ 45.Kd4 Ra4+ 46.Kd3 Ra3+ 47.Kc4 Rxa6]
44.Nxg3+-
[And not 44.Bxg3 Rb2=]
44...Ra5 2.33/23
[44...Rb2 1.92/25 was worth a try.]
45.Nf5? -0.98/22
[45.Kc6+- 2.33/23]
45...a6? 3.13/24
[45...Rxb5+∓ -0.98/22 and life is bright. 46.Kd4 Rb1]

(Diagram)



46.Kc4? 1.15/24
[46.Nd6++- 3.13/24 is the precise move to win. Kf8 47.Bxf6 axb5 48.e5]
46...Rxb5? 4.36/26
[46...axb5+± 1.15/24 47.Kb4 Ra2]
47.Nd6+ Kg6 48.Nxb5 axb5+ 49.Kxb5 f5



Weighted Error Value: White=1.29/ Black=1.26. Loss on time!?
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104 **D06**
□ **Friedrich,Patrick** **2006**
■ **Zaitsev,Mikhail** **2500**
Herne (3) 26.05.2016
[Andrew Martin]

Now comes the 'Double' Queen's Gambit. What is this, you ask? D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Now comes the 'Double' Queen's Gambit. What is this, you ask? **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5** Here it is. I have before me a very interesting book by Alexey Bezgodov on this opening, recently published by 'New In Chess'. There are a lot of pages. Can there really be so much to say about this tricky line? It turns out that there is indeed plenty to say. The first impression is that if 2...c5 is so good, why isn't everyone playing it? The second thought is one of confusion. What do I do now?? In actual fact, 2...c5 is not a bad move at all. It was analysed by Haberditz and Muller a few decades ago and I seem to remember that grandmaster Heikki Westerinen liked to dabble with it on an occasional basis. O'Kelly de Galway was another fan. Among modern grandmasters Mamedyarov has played 2...c5. I think the truth is that 2...c5 is a very good surprise weapon, but that if White knows his stuff, he can oblige Black to be very careful just to stay on the board. Here it is. I have before me a very interesting book by Alexey Bezgodov on this opening, recently published by 'New In Chess'. There are a lot of pages. Can there really be so much to say about this tricky line? It turns out that there is indeed plenty to say. The first impression is that if 2...c5 is so good, why isn't everyone playing it? The second thought is one of confusion. What do I do now?? In actual fact, 2...c5 is not a bad move at all. It was analysed by Haberditz and Muller a few decades ago and I seem to remember that grandmaster Heikki Westerinen liked to dabble with it on an occasional basis. O'Kelly de Galway was another fan. Among modern grandmasters Mamedyarov has played 2...c5. I think the truth is that 2...c5 is a very good surprise weapon, but that if White knows his stuff, he can oblige Black to be very careful just to stay on the board.

[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]

3.cxd5 Nf6!

[3...Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Qxd4 Nc6 7.Qd5! is a little uncomfortable for Black, so this is why they play 3...Nf6.]

4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4N

[5.Nxd4 a6 *(5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3* Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) *Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8*

27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5 Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68)) 6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 Alekhine-4. ♘f3 de5 5. ♘e5 g6 Survey 1997 LEX-CD [ChessBase] (40) 20.Rfe1 Kf8 21.d6 Ne6 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.Ng5 Qb8 24.Nxe6+ Kf7 25.Ng5+ Kf8 26.Qd5 Rg7 27.Ne6+ Kg8 28.Nxg7+ Kxg7 29.dxe7 Nf6 30.Qxb5 Ra7 31.Re1 Qd6 32.e8Q Nxe8 33.Qxe8 Qxd2 34.Qe5+ Kf7 Chapter Part-Games Game 11 (40)]

5...Qxd5

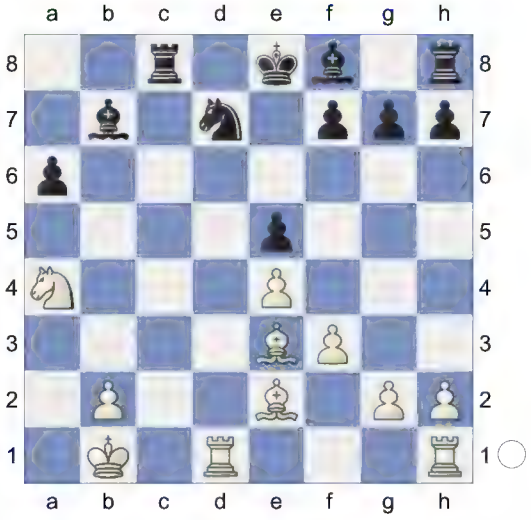
Better timing. **6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6** To stop Nb5 and to prepare later expansion with ...b7-b5.

[However 7...a6 is not the only try with both 7...Bd7]

[and 7...e5 having also been played and analysed.]

8.Bf4 The lower-rated player is on his own now and so he plays a natural move. The bishop does not accomplish much on f4, but such a move is impossible to refute.

[Others: 8.e4 Threatening e5. Nbd7 0.50/20 *(8...e5=* 0.16/20 *9.Nf3 Nc6)* 9.f3!± is rather better, when White keeps some options open for his bishops. This is one of the lines that I think can become testing for Black, as he lacks a good square for his bishop on c8. For example, e6 10.Nb3 Nc5 11.Na5 b5 *(11...b6 12.Nc4 b5 13.Nb6 Rb8 14.Nxc8 Rxc8 15.Be2* leads to a small pull for White and the problem for Black is that he can hardly win such a position if White plays even half-sensibly*)* 12.Be3 Nfd7 13.a3 Nb7 0.49/19 *(13...Ne5=* 0.16/19 is more appropriate.*)* 14.Nc6± Nd8 15.Nxd8 Kxd8 16.0-0-0 Bb7 17.Kb1! Rc8 18.a4 bxa4? *(18...b4 19.Na2 Ke8 20.Be2* is a better idea*)* 19.Nxa4 Strongly threatening Nb6. Ke8 20.Be2 e5?! 1.71/23 *(* Black should prefer the modest *20...Be7* and accept that he is uncomfortably but not terminally worse*; 20...Be7±* 0.92/22 *)*



Soysal has become impatient with his lack of counterplay and loosens his

position; 21.Rd3!+- (the rook is very mobile on d3) Bb4 (*21...Be7 22.Rhd1* is clearly better for White) 22.Rb3 a5 23.Bb5 Black must now prevent Nb6. Rc7 3.31/25 (*23...Ke7* 1.86/24 was necessary. *24.Bxd7 Kxd7 25.Nb6+ Ke6*) 24.Nb6+- Bc6 4.68/23 (*24...Ke7* 3.30/25 keeps fighting. *25.Nxd7 Rxd7 26.Bxd7 Kxd7*) 25.Rc1 1-0, M.Oleksienko-S.Soysal, Ordu 2016.]

[8.g3! also tests Black's idea, because even if he can neutralize the fianchettoed bishop, as he does in the following game, he is still worse: e5 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6 11.0-0 Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Nc6 13.Bg5 (White is ahead in development and has the specific threat of Bxf6 followed by Nd5) Nd7 1.15/21 (*13...0-0-0±* 0.61/20) 14.Nd5± Bd6 Inhibits Nc7+. 15.Nd2 (*15.Rfd1!* looks strong) 15...Rc8 16.Nc4 Bc5 17.Be3 0.72/20 (*⌓17.Rfc1* 1.12/20) 17...Rd8 1.42/22 (Better is *17...0-0* 0.72/20) 18.Rac1± 0-0 19.Nxe5! Bxe3 20.Nxc6 Bxc1 21.Nxd8 Bxb2 1.42/23 (*⌓21...Bg5* 1.10/21) 22.Nxb7 and the exchanges have only increased White's advantage, E.Tomashevsky-V.Durarbayli Skopje 2015.]

8...Nbd7 Threatens to win with ...e5. **9.Nf3** Inhibits e5. **9...e6** **10.a3** The position is equal. **10...b5**

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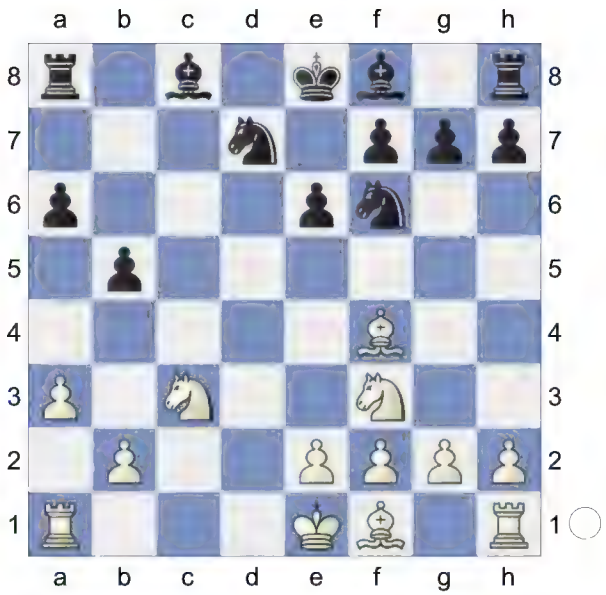
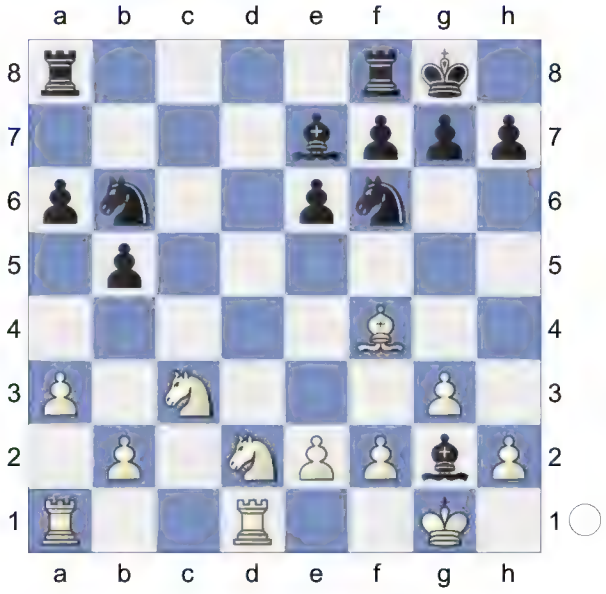


11.g3 **Bb7** **12.Bg2** **Be7** **13.0-0** **0-0** It looks as though the game is going to fizzle out to a draw, but this is precisely where the master starts using his technique to outplay a weaker opponent. **14.Rfd1** **Nb6** Eyeing c4 and d5. Friedrich offers another exchange of pieces. **15.Nd2** **Bxg2**

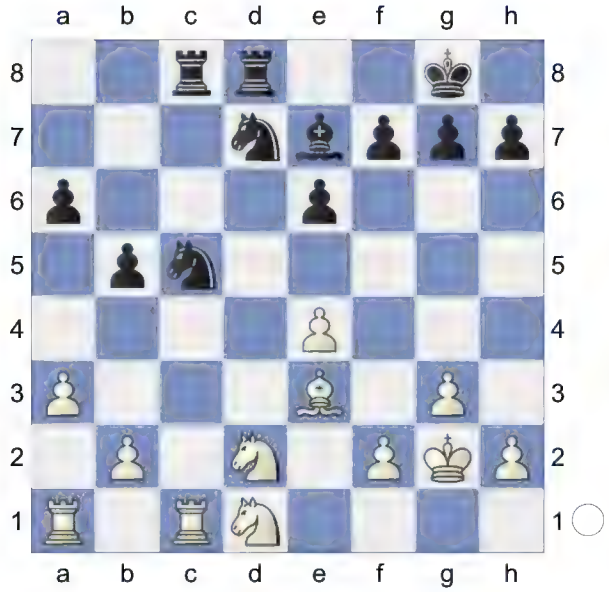


16.Kxg2 **Rac8** **17.e4** **Nfd7** **18.Rdc1** -0.89/20

[18.Nb3= -0.30/20 remains equal.]

18...Rfd8 Black is a bit better. White's bishop has nothing to do and ...Nc4 is a

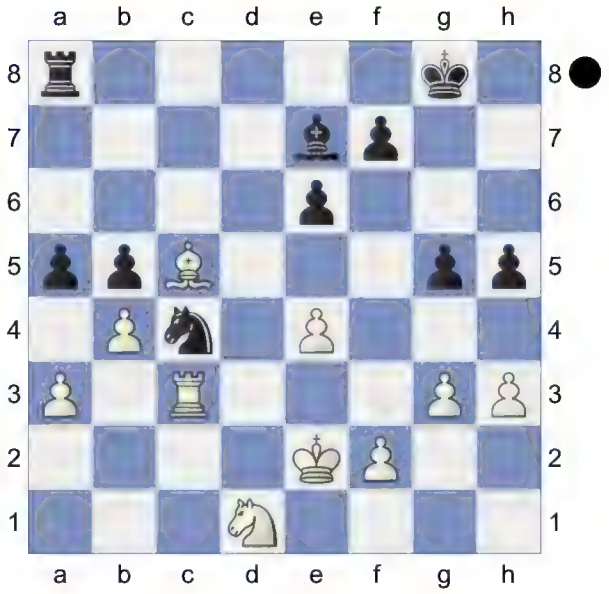
worrying positional threat. Friedrich plods on. **19.Nd1 Nc5** Hoping for ... Nc4! **20.Be3 Nbd7**



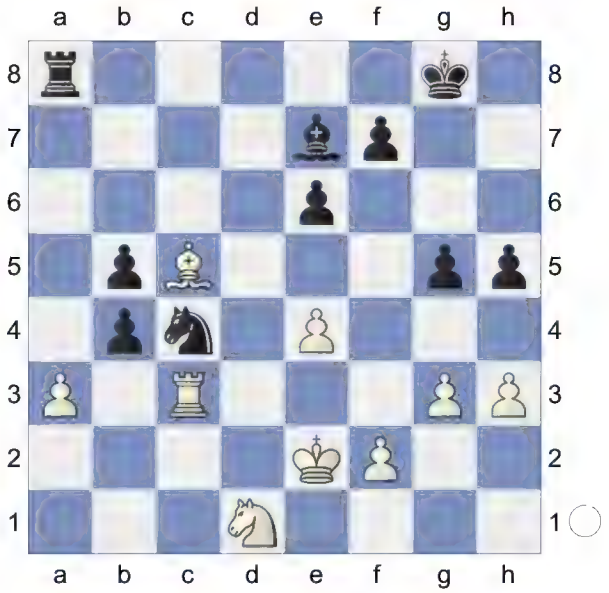
21.b4 Nd3 White is being outplayed. Black obtains the c-file by force. **22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Nb3 N7e5 24.Kf1 g5 25.h3 h5**

Excellent. Back would like to put his knight on f3 and reinforce it with ...g5-g4 when the white king will feel hemmed in. **26.Nc1 Nxc1** 0x0.0020d34045f3dp-1022s more active pieces. The white rooks are badly placed. **27.Rxc1 Nc4 28.Ke2 Ra8! 29.Rc3 a5 30.Bc5** -1.20/22

[White should play 30.bxa5 -0.77/22 Rxa5 31.Bc1]



30...axb4!∓



31.axb4 Ra2+ 32.Ke1 Bf6 Black's position improves move by move, whereas White continues to have nothing whatsoever to do. TIP: Technical play and being able to eke out an advantage is one of the hallmarks of mastery. Black's position improves

move by move, whereas White continues to have nothing whatsoever to do. TIP: Technical play and being able to eke out an advantage is one of the hallmarks of mastery. **33.Rd3 g4 34.hxg4 hxg4 35.f4?** Such moves stem from frustration. . Prevents Ne5.

[A better chance lay in 35.Ne3! Ne5 36.Rd1

A) 36...Nf3+ -0.06/5 36...Bg5 -1.20 37.Kf1 Nd2+ 38.Kg1 -0.77/22 *(38.Kg2=* -0.01/23 *)* 38...Nxe4 39.Nxg4 Bg7 40.Rd8+ Kh7 41.Bd4 -1.08/24 keeps White in the game *(41.Kg2∓* -0.70/21 *)*;

B) 36...Bg5! 37.Kf1

Kh7! 38.Rc1 Bxe3 39.Bxe3 Nc4 , when White has a cheerless defence in front of him, but he might draw.]

35...gxf3!

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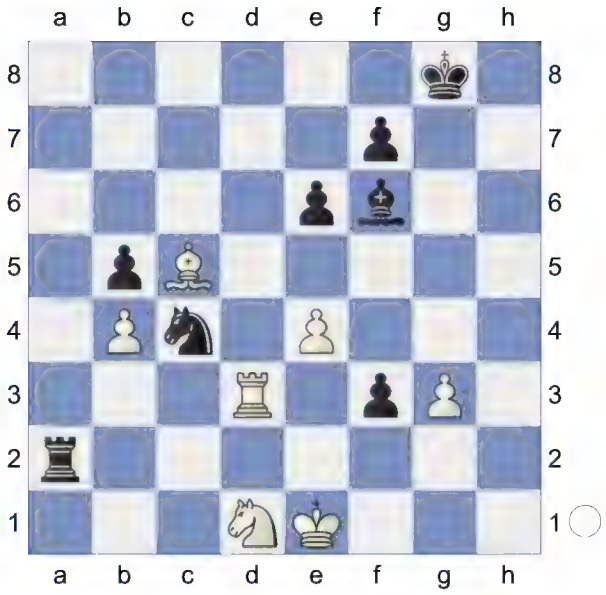
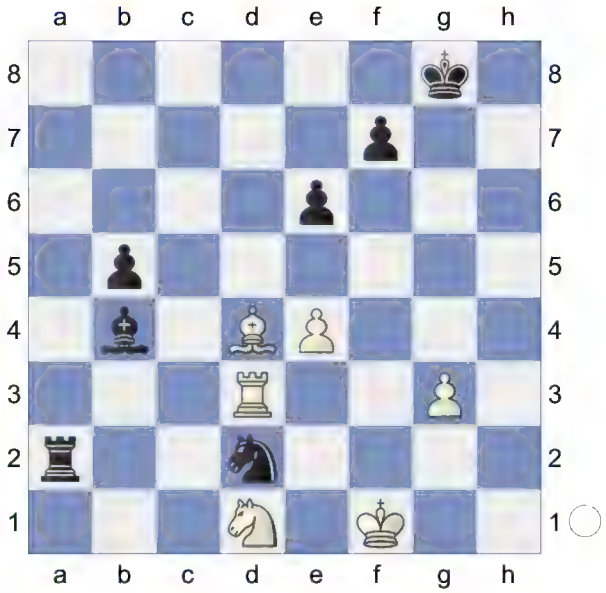


36.Rxf3 Bg5 37.Bd4? -2.84/22

[37.Nf2 -1.38/20 37.Rd3 -1.07 is more stubborn.]

[37.Rd3∓ -1.12/23 was worth a try.]

37...Bd2+-+ Black has a decisive advantage. **38.Kf1 Bxb4 39.Rd3 Nd2+**



. A fine display of technique by Zaitsev. Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

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105 **D06**
□ **Wittal,Werner** **1900**
■ **Knoeppel,Bjoern** **1901**
corr SB-2015-0-00428 05.11.2015
[Hungerkamp,Hans]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5?! Gilt als fragwürdig. In jedem Abspiel steht Weiß ein sehr einfaches Verfahren zur Verfügung,um deutlichen Vorteil zu erhalten. **3.cxd5**
[3.dxc5?! wäre nicht die beste Wahl, denn nach d4 erhält Schwarz gutes Spiel.]
3...Qxd5
[Schwarz hat zwei Hauptfortsetzungen, denn 3...cxd4? ist einfach schlecht. Nach 4.Qxd4 hat Schwarz einfach einen Bauern weniger.]
[Insofern muß Schwarz Schwarz zwischen dem Textzug oder 3...Nf6 wählen.
A) 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.e4 etc..Aber der Textzug ist viel stärker und führt offensichtlich zum Vorteil.Laut Theorie ist;
B) 4.dxc5 Qxd5 nicht so klar. 5.Qxd5 Nxd5 6.Na3 *(6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 e5 8.Be3 Bd7 9.Rd1 N8a6 10.Bxa6 bxa6 11.Nf3 f6 12.0-0 Rc8 13.Rd2 Be6 14.Rfd1 Kf7 15.b3 Bxc5 16.Bxc5 Rxc5 17.Nc4 Rb8 18.h3 a5 19.Kh2 a4 20.a3 axb3 21.Nd6+ Ke7 22.axb4 Rxb4 23.Ne1 Rd4 24.Nf5+ Bxf5 25.exf5 Rxd2 26.Rxd2 a5 27.Rd1 a4 28.Ra1 b2 29.Rb1 a3 30.Nd3 Rc2 31.Nxb2 axb2 32.f3 Kd6 33.Kg1 Rc1+* 0-1 (33) Secondi,A (1574)-Rashitov,D ICCF 2012*)* 6...e5 7.e4 Nf6 8.Be3 Nxe4 9.Rc1 Be7 10.Nb5 Na6 11.f3 Nf6 12.Nd6+ Bxd6 13.cxd6 0-0 14.Bxa6 bxa6 15.Ne2 Rd8 16.Bc5 Be6 17.0-0 Bxa2 18.Ng3 Rab8 19.Rf2 Nd7 20.Bxa7 Rb7 21.Rc7 Rb5 22.Nf5 g6 23.Ne7+ Kg7 24.Nc6 1-0 (24) Jordaan,W (1664)-Jostov,K (1162) Lechenicher SchachServer 2008;
C) 4.e4! Stattdessen kann Weiß das Spiel auch in eine andere Theorievariante überleiten: 4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5 *(*Nach *5...Qa5+* kann Weiß problemlos aktiv werden. *6.Bd2 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxc5 8.Na3! Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4* Schwarz hat große Schwierigkeiten mit der entwicklung seines schwarzfeldrihen ♗ers. *)* 6.Nf3! Es ist sehr wichtig ,den Nachziehenden von 6....-e5 abzuhalten.
C1) 6...e5? 7.Nxe5 Qe7 Weiß hat jetzt eine Widerlegung gegen den ♕amenzug. 8.Bb5+ Bd7 *(8...Nbd7 9.0-0 Qxe5 10.Re1 Ne4 11.Nc3 f5 12.Nxe4 fxe4 13.Qa4!* gefolgt von ♖xe4!*)* 9.0-0 Bxb5 10.Re1 Kd8 11.Nc3 Be8 12.Nc6+ Weiß hat entscheidenen Angriff.;
C2) 6...e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5 Trotz des ♕amentauschs bleibt die schwarze Stellung sehr passiv,denn seine Figuren arbeiten nicht richtig zusammen.]
4.Nf3 cxd4
[4...Nc6? 5.Nc3 Qd8 6.d5! Weiß hat Vorteil.]
5.Nc3!

(Diagram)

Der Schlüsselzug,ohne den die Variante für Schwarz ganz gut spielbar wäre.

5...Qa5

[Eine ander angenheme Variante für Weiß ist: 5...Qd8 6.Qxd4 Nc6 7.Qxd8+ Nxd8 8.e4 Nc6 9.Bb5 Bd7 10.0-0 0-0-0 11.Be3 a6 12.Bxc6 Bxc6 13.Ne5 Nh6 14.Bxh6 und Weiß gewann in der Partie 1-0 (55) Kettl,H (1897)-Meyer,T (1547) freechess.de 2014]

6.Nxd4 Nf6

[Die Alterantive 6...e5 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.Nb5! Danach erhält Weiß eine starke Initiative ,da die schwarze ♕ame kein sicheres Feld hat.]

7.g3 Der natürlichste Weg den ♗er zu entwickeln.

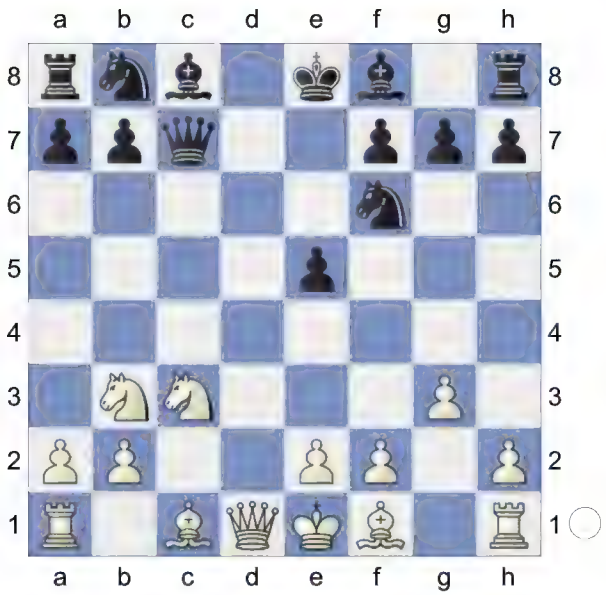
[Andere Varianten sind recht annehmbar für Schwarz,zum Beispiel: 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.Nb5 Qc6 9.e4 e5 10.Be3 Bb4+ 11.Nd2 0-0 12.f3 Bc5 13.Bxc5 Qxc5 14.Rc1 Qe3+ 15.Qe2 Qxe2+ 16.Bxe2 Nc6 17.Kf2 Rd8 18.Rhd1 Kf8 19.Nc7 Rb8 20.Na6 Ra8 21.Bb5 bxa6 22.Bxc6 Rb8 23.b3 Be6 24.Ke2 Rdc8 25.Nf1 Ke7 26.Ne3 Rc7 27.Bd5 Rxc1 28.Rxc1 Bxd5 29.exd5 Kd7 30.g3 Rb5 31.Rc6 Rb6 32.Rc3 Rb4 33.d6 Ne8 34.Nc4 Rb5 35.Re3 f6 36.f4 Rd5 37.fxe5 fxe5 38.Nxe5+ Kxd6 39.Nc4+ Kd7 40.Kf3 ½-½ (40) Villarreal,B (2365)-Muljadi,P (2132) ICCF 2016]

7...e5 Schwarz sollte schnell um Gegenspiel bemühen,ehe der weiße Druck am ♕flügel steigt.

[7...Ne4?! 8.Bd2 Nxd2 9.Qxd2 ist deutlich besser für Weiß,weil es für ihn seht leicht sein wird ,am ♕amenflügel aktiv zu werden.(♗g2, ♖ac1,♖fd1 etc.)]

8.Nb3 Qc7

(Diagram)



9.Bg5! Eine starke Idee.Es ist sehr wichtig Schwarz daran zu hindern ,die c-Linie mit ...- ♗xc3 zu schließen,wenn bxc3 erzwungen ist.Nach dem Textzug wird Weiß rechtzeitig bereit sein ,mit dem ♖urm zurückzunehmen und seinen Druck aufrecht zu erhalten.

[Nach 9.Bg2 Bb4 konnte ich keinen ernsthaften Vorteil für Weiß finden. 10.Bd2 0-0 11.0-0 Nc6 12.Rc1 Be6 13.Bg5 Rfd8 14.Qc2 Rac8 15.Ne4 Be7 16.Nec5 Bxc5 17.Nxc5 Nd4 18.Nxe6 Qxc2 19.Rxc2 fxe6 20.Rd2 h6 21.Bxf6 gxf6 22.Kh1 Nf5 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Bxb7 Rb8 25.Ba6 Rxb2 26.Rc1 Kf8 27.a4 Nd4 28.Rc8+ Kf7 29.Rc7+ Kg6 30.Rxa7 Nxe2 31.Bxe2 Rxe2 32.Kg2 e4 33.Kf1 Ra2 34.h3 h5 35.a5 f5 36.a6 Kf6 37.Rh7 Rxa6 38.Rxh5 Kg6 39.Rh8 Ra2 40.Re8 ½-½ (40) Mataix Arbona,C (1870)-Krol,P (1660) ICCF 2017]

[9.Bd2 ist passiv und Schwarz erhält passables Spiel.]

9...Bb4

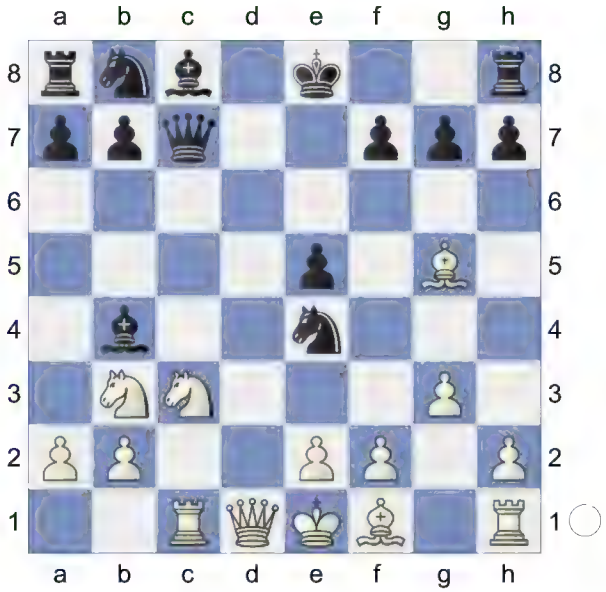
[Auf 9...Qc6?! folgt die starke Erwiderung 10.Bxf6! gxf6 *(10...Qxf6!? 11.Bg2 Bb4 12.Qd3 0-0 13.0-0 Bxc3 14.Qxc3±)* 11.Nd5±]

10.Rc1

[Schlechter ist 10.Bxf6 Bxc3+ *(10...gxf6 11.Rc1±)* 11.bxc3 gxf6∞]

10...Ne4

[10...Nbd7 11.Bg2 0-0 12.0-0± hat Weiß eine vorzügliche Version der Katalanischen Eröffnug.Wegen seines starken Druck am ♕flügel ist Weiß im Vorteil.]



Eine natürliche Reaktion.Nach **11.Bd2**

Bxc3

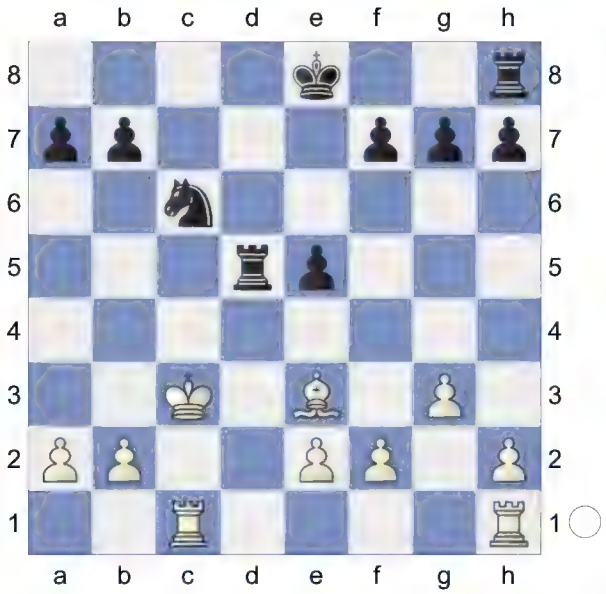
[11...Nxd2!? 12.Nxd2 Selbst ohne die schwarzfeldrigen ♗er ist der weiße Druck enorm. 0-0 13.Bg2 Nc6 14.0-0± Weiß ist positionell im Vorteil. Be6 15.Nd5 Bxd5 16.Bxd5 Rad8 17.e4 Bxd2 18.Qxd2 Qb6 19.Qe3 Nd4 20.Kg2 Rd7 21.b3 Rfd8 22.Rc4 Qd6 23.Qc3 g5 24.f4 gxf4 25.gxf4 Qg6+ 26.Qg3 Nf5 27.exf5 Qxg3+ 28.Kxg3 exf4+ 29.Rfxf4 Rxd5 30.f6 Rd2 31.Rg4+ Kf8 32.Rc7 R2d3+ 33.Kh4 Rf3 34.Rxb7 Rxf6 35.Rxa7 Rh6+ 36.Kg5 Rxh2 37.Rf4

Rg2+ 38.Kf5 Re8 39.Rh4 Re6 ½-½ (39) Schoch,T (2323)-Brandberg (Soeder),J (2277) ICCF 2015]

12.Bxc3 Qb6 13.Bd4 Qb4+ 14.Nd2

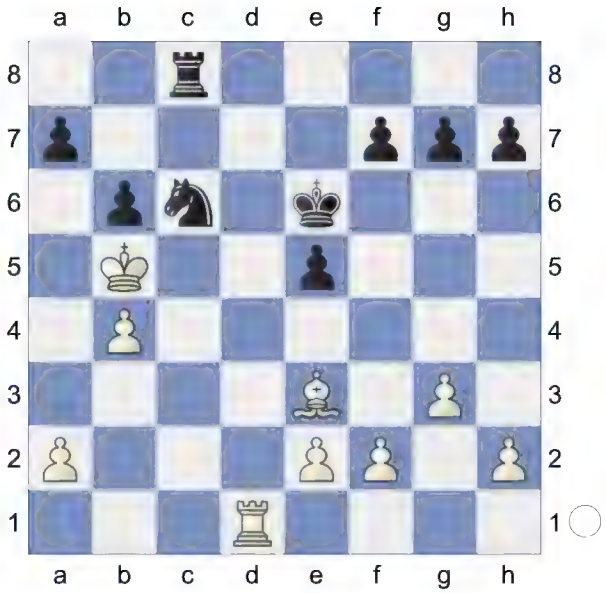
Schwarz gerät in ein unangenehmes Endspiel **14...Nc6 15.Be3 Nxd2**

16.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Be6 18.Bg2 Rd8+ 19.Kc3 Bd5 20.Bxd5 Rxd5

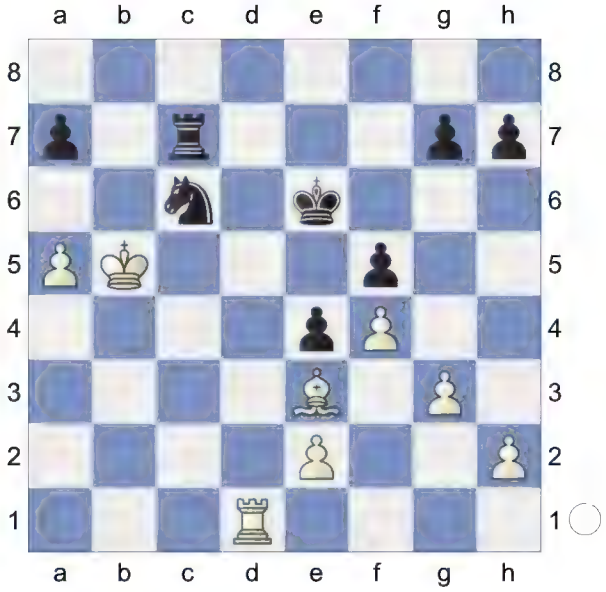


21.Rhd1 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 b6 23.b4 Ke7 24.Kc4 Ke6 25.Kb5 Rc8

(Diagram)



26.a4 f6 27.a5 bxa5 28.bxa5 Rc7 29.f3 f5 30.f4 e4

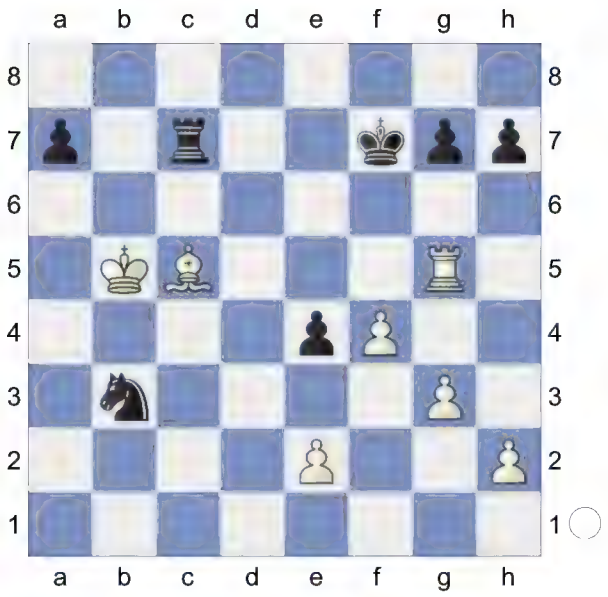


31.Bc5 Nxa5 32.Rd6+ Kf7 33.Rd5 Nb3 34.Rxf5+ Kg6

[34...Ke6 35.Re5+±]

35.Rg5+ Kf7

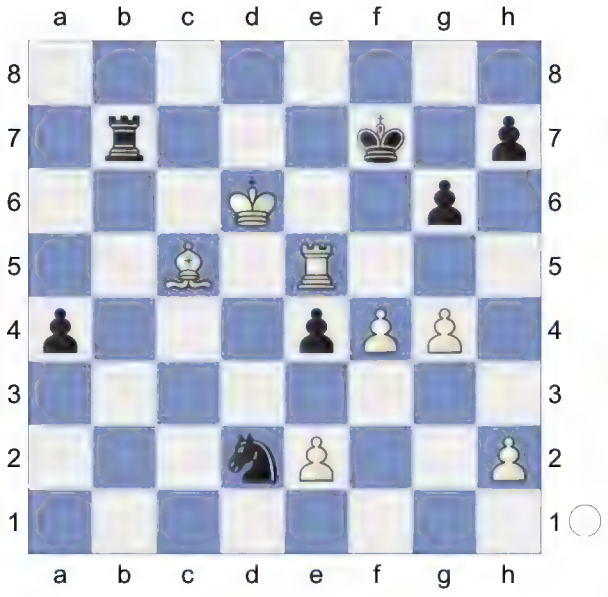
(Diagram)



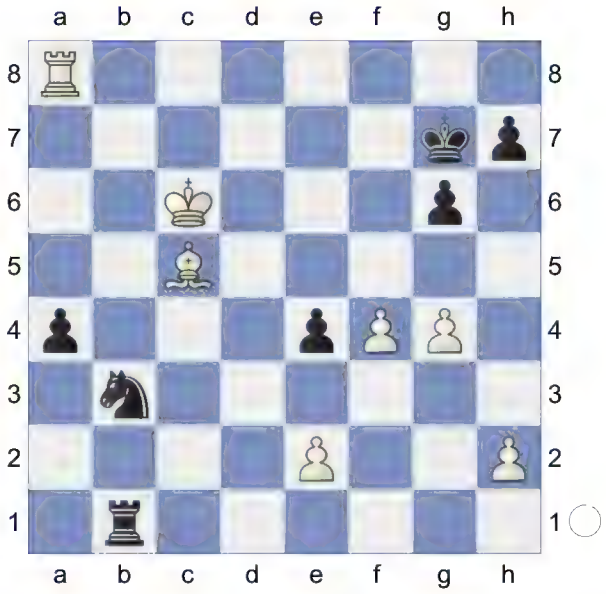
36.Kc4 Nd2+? Schwarz hält am ♙e4 fest und hofft das sein a-Bauer durchstartet.

[Vielleicht sollte Schwarz mit 36...Nxc5 in ein schlechteres ♖endspiel gehen,die bekanntlich häufig Remis ausgehen. 37.Rxc5 Rd7 38.Re5 Rd1 39.Rxe4 Rh1∞]

37.Kd5! Jetzt sind die weißen Figuren einschließlich des weißen ♔önigs deutlich harmonischer aufgestellt. **37...g6 38.Re5 a5 39.g4 a4 40.Kd6 Rb7**



41.Kc6 Rb1 42.Re7+ Der schwarze ♔önig wird zur Seite gedrängt(aus dem Spiel) **42...Kg8 43.Re8+ Kf7 44.Rf8+ Kg7 45.Ra8** um sich jetzt mit dem a-Bauern zu beschäftigen. **45...Nb3**



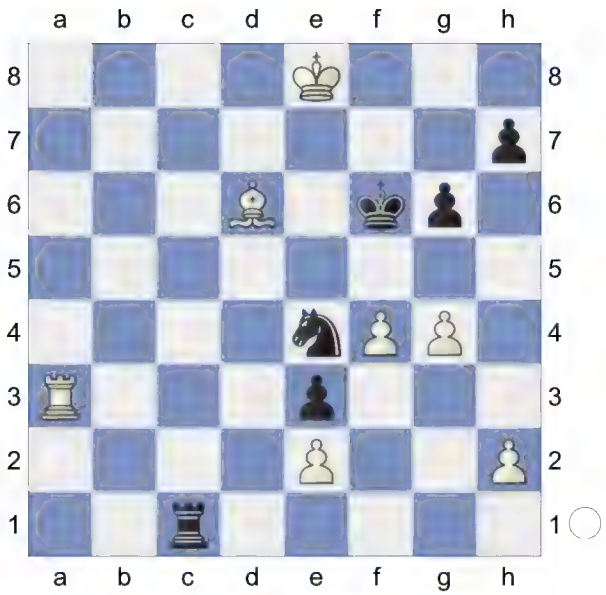
46.Bd6 Kf6 47.Rxa4± Weiß hat jetzt Vorteil. **47...Rc1+ 48.Kd7 e3 49.Ra3 Nc5+ 50.Ke8!**

[Möglich war auch 50.Bxc5 Rxc5 51.Rxe3 Mit zwei Mehrbauern sollte Weiß gewinnen können.]

50...Ne4

[Auf 50...Rc4 folgt sehr stark 51.g5+ Kf5 52.Ra5+-]

(Diagram)



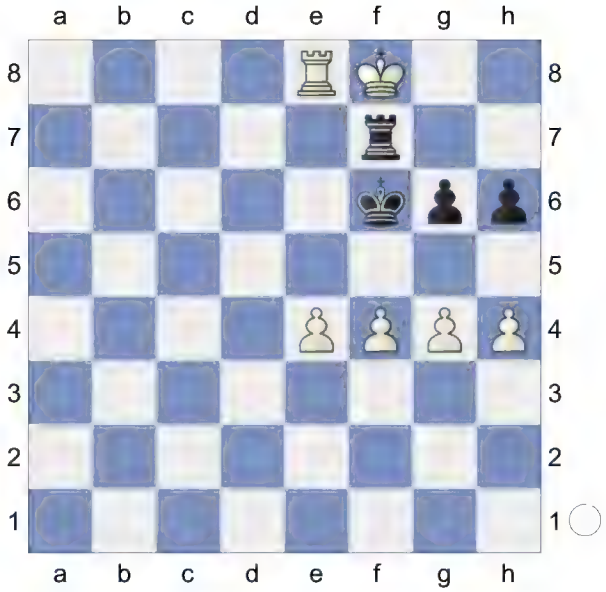
51.Be7+!

[Schlecht wäre auf die weißen Mehrbauern zu setzen. Schwarz besitzt ausreichendes Gegenspiel. Zum Beispiel: 51.Rxe3? Nxd6+ 52.Kd7 Nc8 53.Re6+ Kf7 54.f5 gxf5 55.gxf5 Na7 56.e4 Nb5 57.Re7+ Kf8 58.Re8+=]

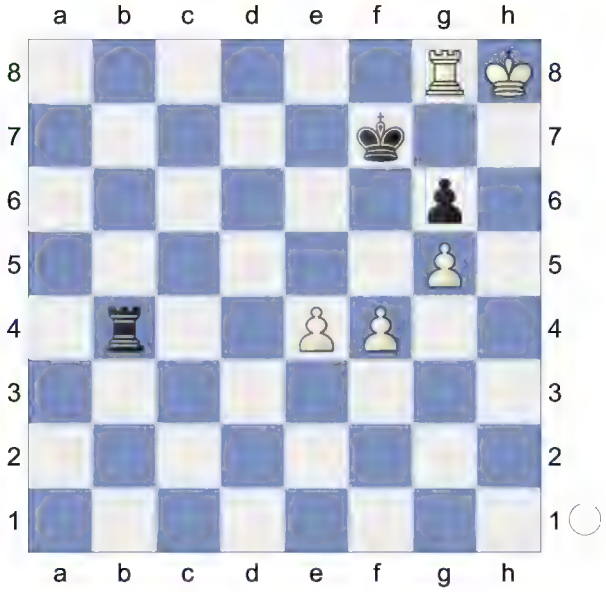
51...Kg7 52.Rxe3 Weiß führt die Partie souverän bis zum Ende ! **52...Nf6+ 53.Bxf6+ Kxf6 54.Rd3 Ke6 55.Kf8 Rc4**

56.Re3+ Kf6 57.h4 h6 58.Re7 Rc8+

59.Re8 Rc7 60.e4 Rf7+



61.Kg8 Rg7+ 62.Kh8 Rb7 63.g5+ hxg5 64.hxg5+ Kf7 65.Rg8 Rb4



66.Rg7+ Kf8 67.f5 gxf5 68.exf5 Rh4+ 69.Rh7

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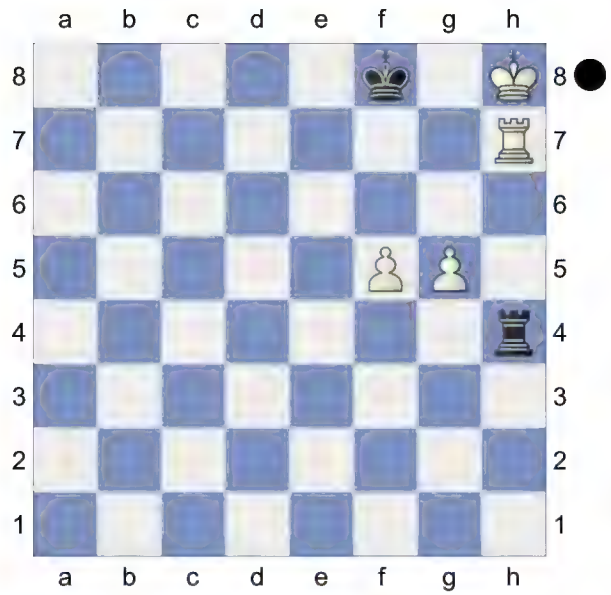

Fazit: Weiß bekommt insgesamt besseres Spiel...aber es gibt sicherlich heutzutage mit den modern Engines gute schwarze Remischancen(vielleicht auch bessere weiße Züge ?!).siehe Variante 11...- ♘xd2 ,bzw. "vielleicht" haltbare Stellung nach 36....- ♘xc5. Dennoch glaube ich das 2...- c5?! etwas zweifelhaft ist. Objektiv betrachtet entstehen sicherlich interessante Partien, die auffordern vielleicht ein Fernschach Thematurnier zu starten, um dieser Variante neue Hintergründe einzuhauchen.

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106 **D06**
□ **Alekhine,Alexander**
■ **Saemisch,Friedrich**
Wiener Kongress Masters (3) 15.11.22
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Qxd5N
[3...Nf6 4.Nf3 *(4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8* Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)) 4...cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
4.dxc5 Qxd1+ 5.Kxd1 Nc6

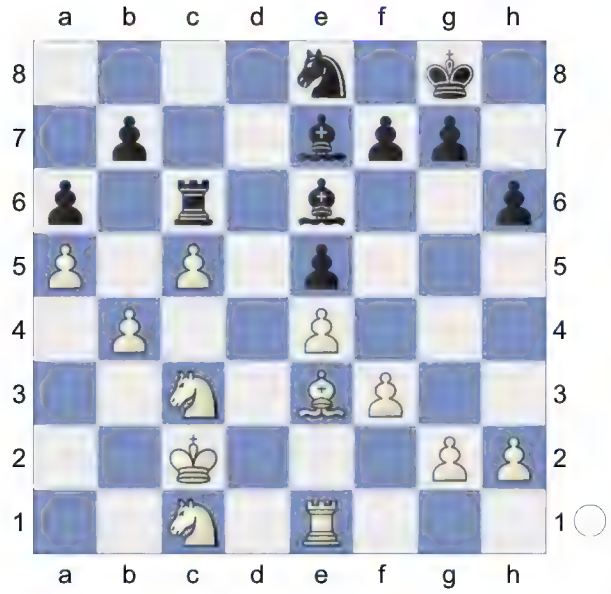
(Diagram)

6.e4 e5 Black has compensation.
7.Be3! Nf6 8.Nc3 The position is equal.
8...Be6 9.f3 -0.37/18 Prevents Ng4.
[9.h3= -0.01/18]
9...Be7 0.01/20
[9...0-0-0+∓ -0.37/18 10.Ke1 Nd7]
10.Bb5= Rc8 0.41/21
[10...0-0-0+= 0.01/20 was preferrable. 11.Ke1 Nb4]

11.Nge2± 0-0 12.Bxc6 Rxc6 13.b4 Rd8+ 0.97/20
[13...b6± 0.31/20]

14.Kc2± a6 1.48/20
[⌓14...b6 0.79/20]
15.Rad1 White is clearly better. **15...Bc8** 2.31/21
[15...Rcc8± 1.39/19 might work better. 16.Rxd8+ Rxd8]

16.Rxd8++- Bxd8 17.Re1 h6 2.28/22
[17...Be6± 1.57/20 18.Rd1 Nd7]
18.a4 Be6 19.a5 Be7 20.Nc1 Ne8 2.30/23
[⌓20...Nd7 1.69/20 21.Nd3 f5]



Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.31
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107 **D06**
□ **Greco,Gioacchino**
■ **N,N.**
Europe 1620
[TA]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences Queen's Gambit Declined (QGD): Symmetrical (Austrian) Defense **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.dxc5N
[3.Nf3 is now most usual]
[3.cxd5 Nf6
A) 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 *(5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 18.Rd1 Qe8 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.Bxc5* Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)) 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N;
B) 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
3...Qa5+?! This too fast engagement of the Black's Queen is rather favourable to White development.
[An usual reply in this confidential line of play is: 3...d4!? 4.b4 a5 5.Bb2 axb4 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Nxd4 Nf6 8.g3 e5 9.Nxc6 Qxd1+ 10.Kxd1 bxc6 11.Bg2 Bb7= Capablanca Jose Raul - Noliman Jorge 1-0 (D06) Buenos Aires casual 29/05/1911]
4.Qd2!?
[Possible is: 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.e4 Be6 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 ± and White has a pleasant game.]
4...Qxd2+ The Queen's exchange is the only choice. **5.Nxd2 dxc4**

6.Nxc4 e6? 1.05/20 A serious mistake, unfavourable to Black development!... The c8-h3 diagonal is obstructed, while the strategic d6-square is leaved to White control.
[6...Na6± 0.51/18]
7.Nd6+! The strongeest retort! **7...Bxd6 8.cxd6** All the question is now: White is it able to defend and promote his central passed pawn?... It seems it is capable to do that... White is better. **8...Nf6 9.f3!?** This surprising move is not a fault and reveals the strategic vision of Greco, as well as the self-confident of the best

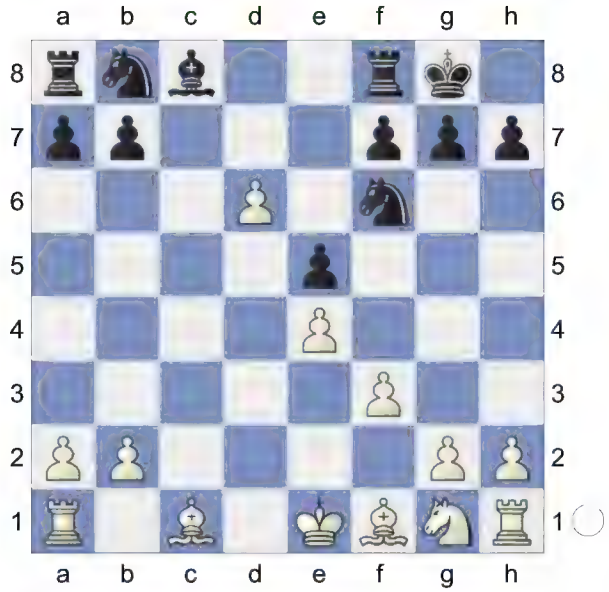
chess player of his time. White may play Bf4-g3-f2 and, in the same time, squares e4 and g4 are prohibited to the Black King's Knight.

[After 9.Nf3 Nc6 10.Bf4 Prevents e5. Nb4 And now ...Nc2+ would win. 11.Nd4! Inhibits Nc2+. Bd7 12.a3 Nbd5 13.Be5 +- White wins easily.]

9...0-0?? Castling in such a position is frankly dangerous.

[The right continuation is: 9...Kd7 10.Bf4 Nh5 11.Be3 Kxd6 12.Rd1+ Kc7 13.g4 Nf6 14.Bf4+ and White has a better game.]

10.e4 e5



11.b3! Rd8 12.Ba3

[12.Bb2!?]

12...Ne8 1.29/20

[⌓12...Nc6 0.87/19]

13.Rd1 0.72/21

[⌓13.0-0-0 1.29/20]

13...Be6 1.27/19

[⌓13...a5 0.72/21]

14.Bc4?! 0.59/23 This time, Greco loses his advantage

[14.Bb5± 1.27/19]

14...Bd7?? 1.69/20

[The accurate line leads probably to a draw: 14...Bxc4 15.bxc4 Nd7 16.Kf2 -0.05/20 *(*White should try *16.c5±* 0.62/20 *)* 16...Rac8= 17.Ne2 -0.48/20 *(17.Rb1!=* -0.03/21 *)* 17...Rxc4=]

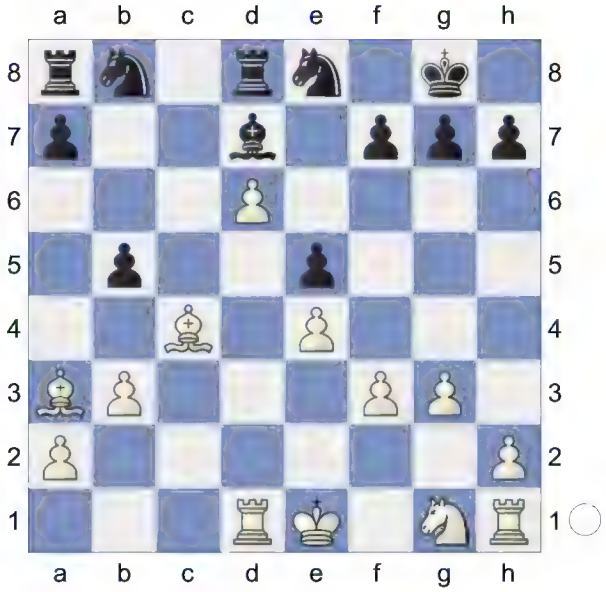
[14...Bxc4± 0.59/23 15.bxc4 Nd7]

15.g3!? 0.89/21 Interesting anyway..

[But 15.Ne2! seems quite natural.]

[15.Ne2+- 1.69/20]

15...b5



16.Bd5 Bc6 17.Bc5 0.64/21 0x0.0020d340462fdp-1022s more active pieces.

[17.Nh3± 1.19/20]

17...Bxd5± 18.Rxd5

[18.exd5 Nd7 19.Be3 Ndf6∓]

18...Nd7

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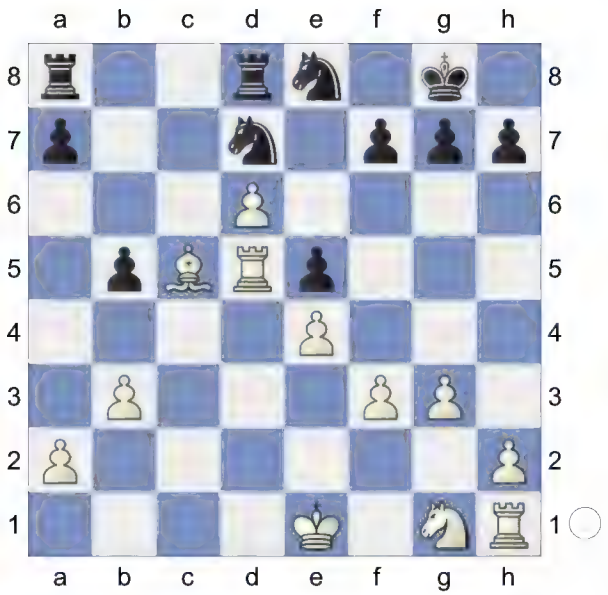

Hoping for ...Nef6. **19.b4!** 0.03/22
In this curious game, Greco is engaged in an all-interesting and fine strategic play, organized around his passed isolated central d6-pawn. He reveals here some subtleties prefiguring the great Philidor and very far from the Italian style of playing, which, it's true, was only at its beginning at the Greco's time!
[White should play 19.Be3± 0.60/20]
19...a5! This counter-attack, in view to open the a-file, is a good idea.
[The alternative move 19...Ndf6 0.99/20 19...Nef6 -0.01 may be considered.]
20.a3 axb4 0.81/21
[20...Nef6= 0.10/21 21.Rd3 Nxc5 22.bxc5 Rac8]

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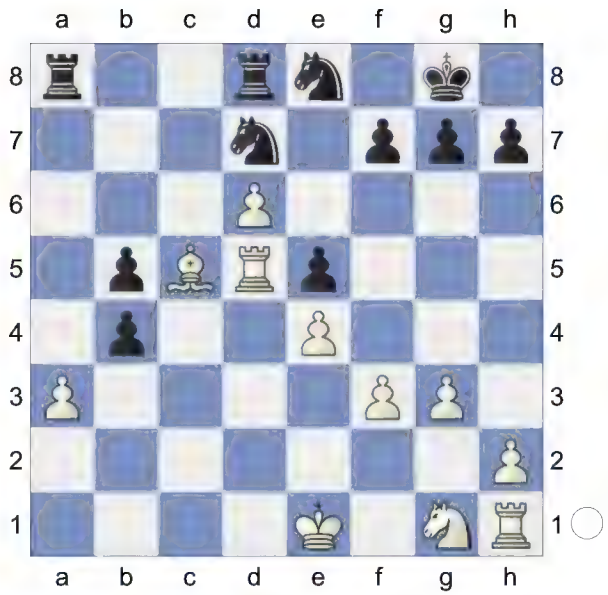
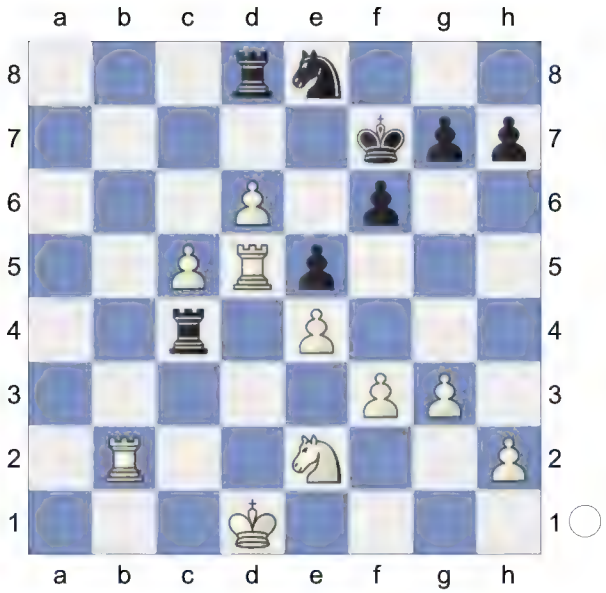


21.axb4 -0.01/21
[21.Bxb4± 0.81/21 Nb6 22.Rxe5 *(22.Rxb5 Nc4±)* 22...Nxd6 23.Ne2]
21...Ra1+= 22.Kf2 Rc1? This bad move shows that Black has no good plan
[Is without any doubt better 22...Nxc5 23.bxc5 b4 24.Kg2 -0.36/21 *(24.c6=* -0.03/20 *Rxd6 25.c7)* 24...Ra2+∓ 25.Kh3 b3 26.Rd3! Rc2 27.Ne2!? Rxc5 *(27...Rxe2!? 28.Rb1 b2* ...Rc2 is the strong threat. *29.Rb3 Nxd6* Leads probably to a draw.*)* 28.Rb1 Rxd6 29.Rbxb3 and the draw is practically evident.]
23.Kg2 Nxc5 0.38/24
[Better is 23...Rc2+= -0.16/23 24.Bf2 Nb6]
24.bxc5 -0.01/24
[24.Rxc5± 0.38/24 is more appropriate. Rb1 25.Ne2]
24...b4 1.08/22
[24...Rc2+ 25.Kh3 b4 26.Rxe5 b3! 27.Re7! Rxc5 28.Rb7 -0.59/19 and an unclear endgame! *(28.e5=* -0.28/23 was preferrable. *b2 29.Rb7 Rxe5 30.Rxb2)*]
[24...Rc2+= -0.01/24 remains equal. 25.Kh3 b4]

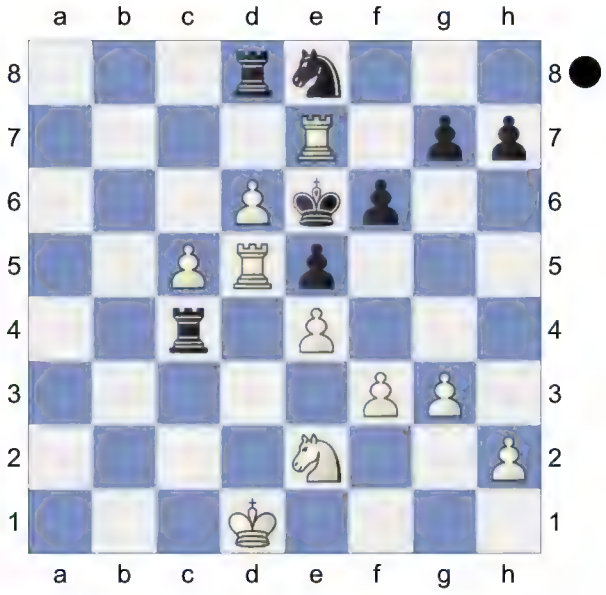
25.Ne2!±
[Much worse is 25.Rxe5?! Rc2+ 26.Kf1 Rc1+ 27.Kg2 Rc2+ 28.Kf1 Rc1+ 29.Kg2=]
25...Rc2

The only move. **26.Kf2 b3?**
[26...Nf6? 3.00/22 26...b3 1.27 ± is the accurate answer]
27.Rb1↑ Keeping Black busy. **27...b2** 3.33/23 This costs Black the game.
[27...Nf6 ± is always the good retort, but now White wins in any case.]
[27...Nf6± 1.25/25 keeps fighting.]
28.Ke1 1.86/22
[Less strong is 28.Rxe5 Nf6 29.Ke3 Nd7±]
[⌓28.Ke3 3.33/23 Nf6 29.Kd3 *(29.Rxe5 Nd7±)* 29...Nxd5 30.Kxc2 Nb4+ 31.Kxb2 Nd3+ 32.Kc3 Nxc5 33.Kc4]
28...f6?? 6.37/21
[⌓28...Nf6 1.86/22]
29.Kd1!+- Rc4 30.Rxb2 Kf7

(Diagram)



31.Rb7+ Ke6 32.Re7#



Even if Greco's chess games, against anonymous players, are undoubtedly constructions, with didactic goals, they at least reveal much delicacy and a high level of playing. Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.83
1-0

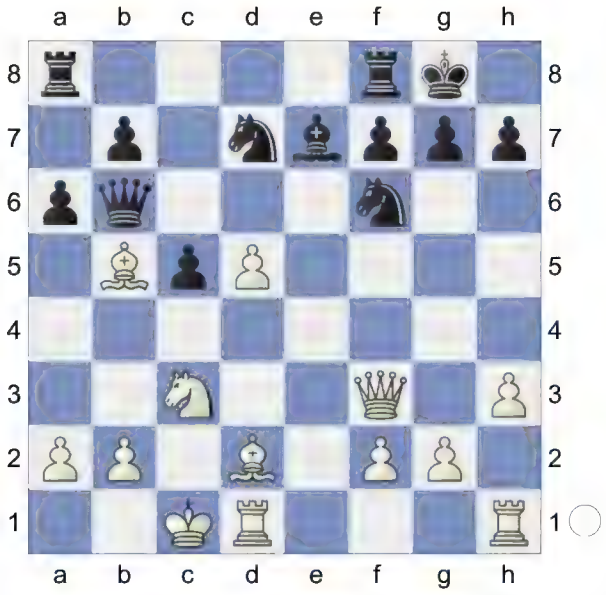
108 **D06**
□ **Lebedev,Sergey F**
■ **Rozanov,V..**
All-Russian+ (7) 1909
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.Nc3 Nf6 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4N
[5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 19.Rac1 g6 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
5...Nf6 0.78/20
[5...Nxc3= 0.23/19 6.bxc3 g6]

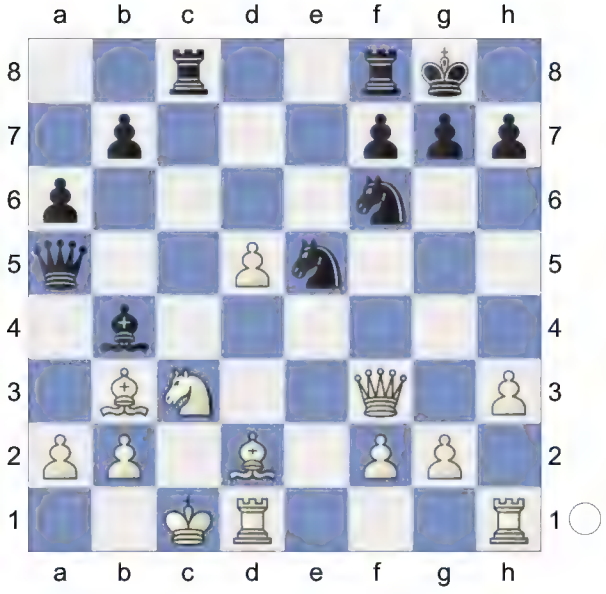
(Diagram)

6.d5± e6 7.Bf4 Qa5 1.15/16
[Better is 7...exd5± 0.60/18 8.Bb5+ *(8.Nxd5 Nxd5 9.exd5 Be7±; 8.exd5 Bd6±)* 8...Bd7]
8.Bd2 0.58/18
[8.Nf3± 1.15/16]
8...Qb6 9.Nf3 exd5 10.exd5 0.53/18
[10.e5± 0.89/20 d4 11.exf6 dxc3 12.Bxc3 gxf6 13.Bb5+! Qxb5 14.Bxf6]
10...Bg4 0.97/18
[10...Bd6± 0.53/18]

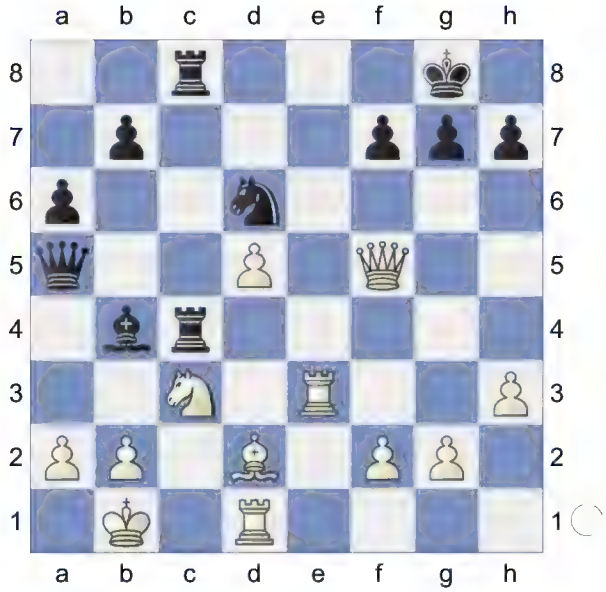
11.Bb5+ Nbd7 12.Qe2+ 0.48/20
[12.Bxd7+± 0.79/18 Nxd7 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Qxf3]
12...Be7± 13.0-0-0 aiming for Bf4.
13...0-0! 14.h3
[14.Qxe7 Rfe8 15.d6 Rxe7 16.dxe7 Re8∓]
14...Bxf3 15.Qxf3 a6



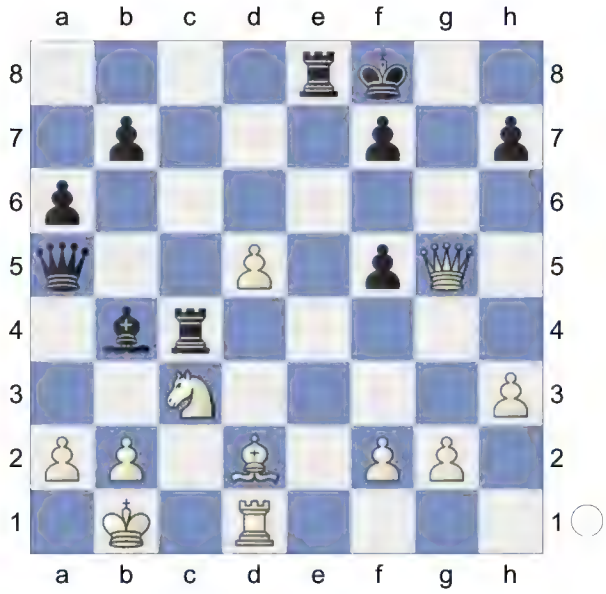
16.Be2 c4 17.Bf4 Bb4 18.Bxc4 Rac8 19.Bb3 Qa5 20.Bd2 Ne5



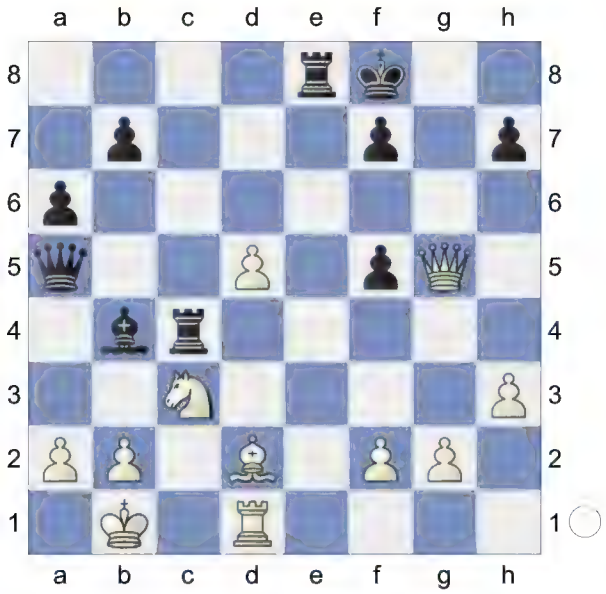
21.Qf5 Nc4 22.Bxc4 Rxc4 23.Kb1 Rfc8 0.83/19
[23...Rd8= 0.01/20 keeps the balance.]
24.Rhe1± Ne8 25.Re3 &Bianco is more active. **25...Nd6**



26.Qe5 g6? 2.68/20
[26...Re8± 0.62/19 27.Qg3 Rec8]
27.Rf3? 1.04/21
[27.a3!+- 2.68/20]
27...Re8 28.Qf6 Bh6 is the strong threat. **28...Nf5** Inhibits Bh6. **29.Rxf5 gxf5 30.Qg5+→** White is out for blood.
[30.Qxf5?! Qb6 31.Na4 Qg6 32.Qxg6+ hxg6=]
30...Kf8

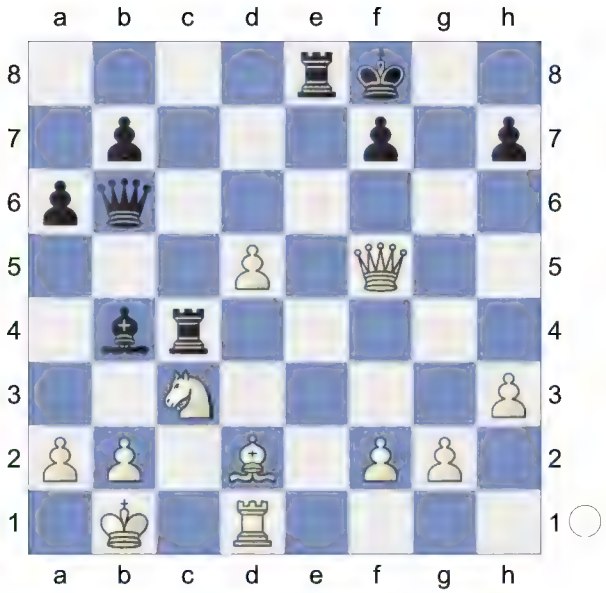


31.Qf6 -0.01/20 Chess con chili.
[31.Qxf5?! Bxc3 32.Bxc3 Rxc3 33.bxc3 Qxc3=]
[31.d6!± 1.30/22 White threatens Qf6 and mate. Re6 32.d7]
31...Kg8= 32.Qg5+ -0.01/20
[32.Qxf5 Qb6 33.Na4 Qg6 34.Qxg6+ hxg6=]
[32.d6± 0.78/21 Intending Bh6 and mate. Re6 33.Qg5+ Kf8 34.d7]
32...Kf8

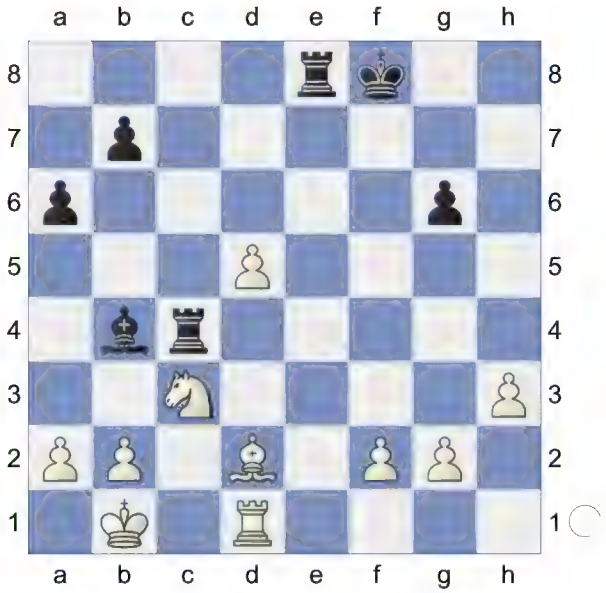


33.Qxf5 0.19/22
[33.d6!± 1.02/21 White wants to mate with Qf6. Re6 34.d7]
33...Qb6 1.60/23
[33...Bxc3= 0.19/22 34.Bxc3 Rxc3 35.bxc3 Qxc3]

(Diagram)



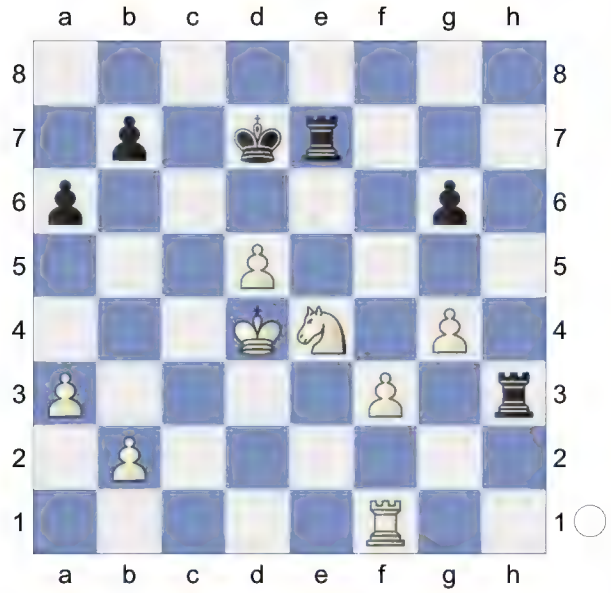
34.Qxh7!± Qg6+
[Weaker is 34...Bxc3 35.Bxc3 Qg6+ 36.Qxg6 fxg6 37.d6±]
35.Qxg6 fxg6



36.a3 Bc5 2.33/21
[36...Bxc3± 1.08/21 37.Bxc3 Ke7]
37.f3+- Be3 38.Bxe3 Rxe3
Endgame KRR-KRN **39.Kc2 Ke7 40.Kd2 Re5**

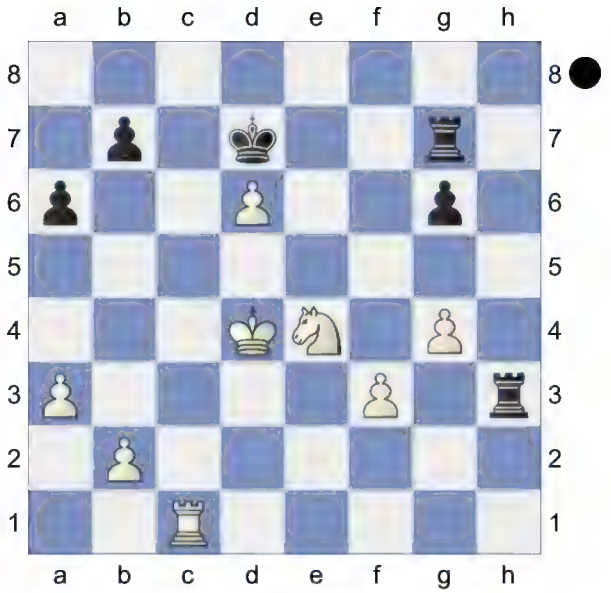
(Diagram)

41.Kd3 Rf4 42.Rf1 Rh4 43.g4
Strongly threatening Kd4.
[But not 43.f4?! Rf5±]
43...Kd7 3.18/21
[⌓43...Kd8 2.22/22 44.Rh1 Kd7]
44.Kd4 Re7 45.Ne4 Rxh3



46.d6 Rg7 7.32/24
[46...Reh7 2.51/23 47.Nf6+ Kxd6]
47.Rc1

(Diagram)



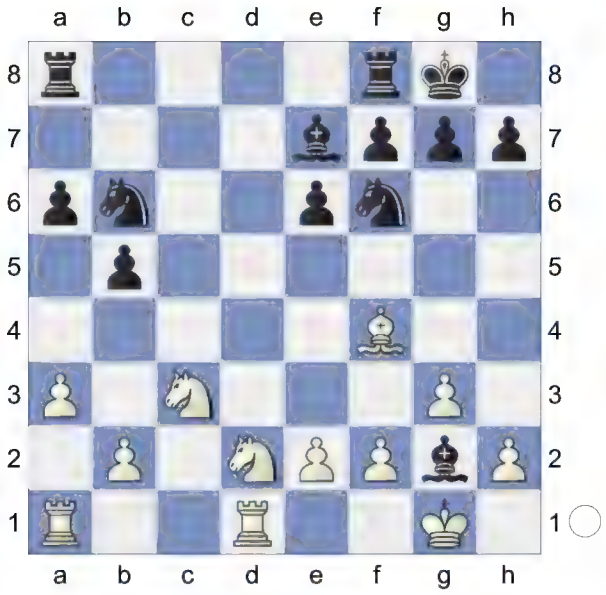
Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.32
1-0

109 **D06**
□ **Maximov,Dmitry**
■ **Vladimirov,Evgeny (2575) vs. I**
Corus Wijk aan Zee 2016
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Qxd4N
[5.Nxd4 a6 *(5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 20.Nf3* Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68) *Rac8 21.Ke2 Nc7 22.Nxc7+ Rxc7 23.Rhb1 a6 24.a4 b6 25.Rb3 f6 26.Rab1 Rhc8 27.R1b2 Kd5 28.Kd3 Rd7 29.Nd4 g6 30.g4 Rdc7 31.h4 Re8 32.Rb1 Rec8 33.f4 Re8 34.e4+ Kd6 35.g5* Chapter Part-Games Game 8 (68))
6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 Alekhine-4. ♘f3 de5 5. ♘e5 g6 Survey 1997 LEX-CD [ChessBase] (40) 20.Rfe1 Kf8 21.d6 Ne6 22.Rxe6 fxe6 23.Ng5 Qb8 24.Nxe6+ Kf7 25.Ng5+ Kf8 26.Qd5 Rg7 27.Ne6+ Kg8 28.Nxg7+ Kxg7 29.dxe7 Nf6 30.Qxb5 Ra7 31.Re1 Qd6 32.e8Q Nxe8 33.Qxe8 Qxd2 34.Qe5+ Kf7 Chapter Part-Games Game 11 (40)]
5...Qxd5

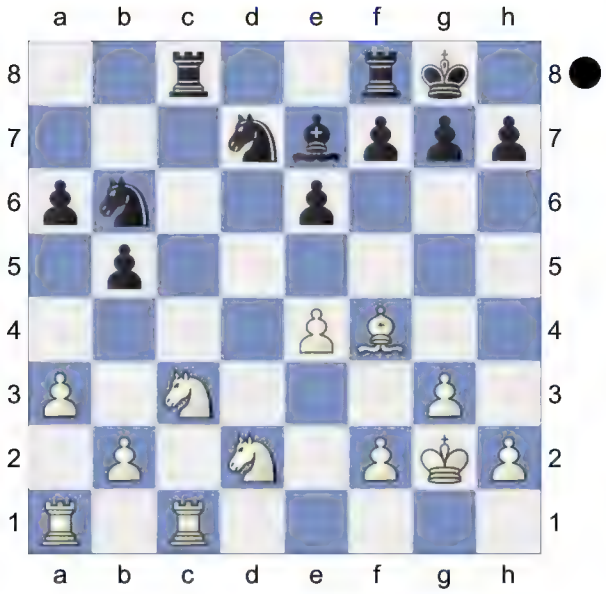
6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.Bf4 Nbd7 Hoping for ...e5. **9.Nf3** Inhibits e5. **9...e6 10.a3** The position is equal. **10...b5**

11.g3 Bb7 12.Bg2 Be7 13.0-0 0-0 14.Rfd1 Nb6 15.Nd2 Bxg2
(Diagram)



16.Kxg2 Rac8 17.e4 Nfd7 18.Rdc1 -0.80/21

[18.Nb3= -0.30/20]



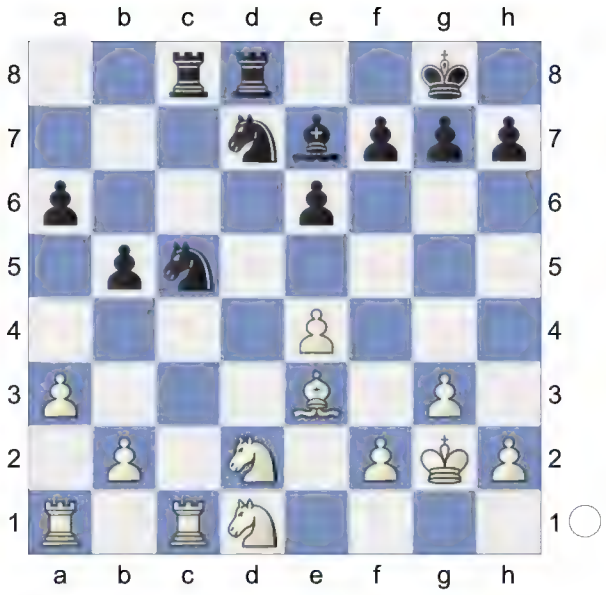
18...Rfd8 -0.47/24

[18...Nc5!∓ -0.80/21 Strongly threatening ...Nd3. 19.Be3 Nbd7]

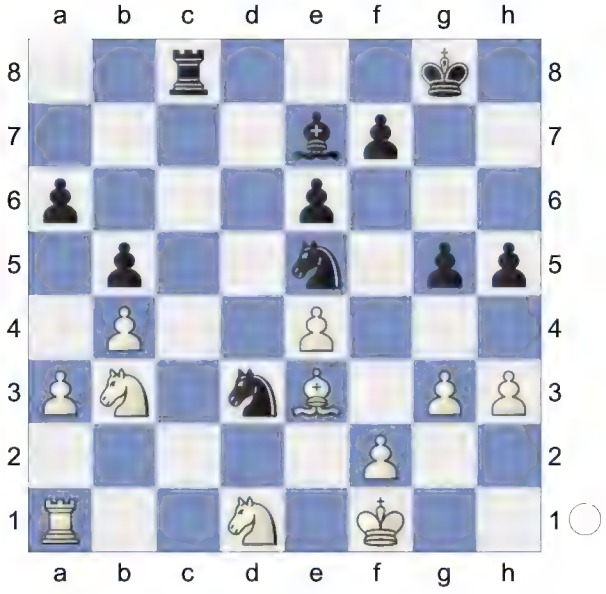
19.Nd1 Nc5 ...Nc4! is the strong threat.

20.Be3 Nbd7

(Diagram)



21.b4 Nd3 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Nb3 N7e5 24.Kf1 g5 25.h3 h5

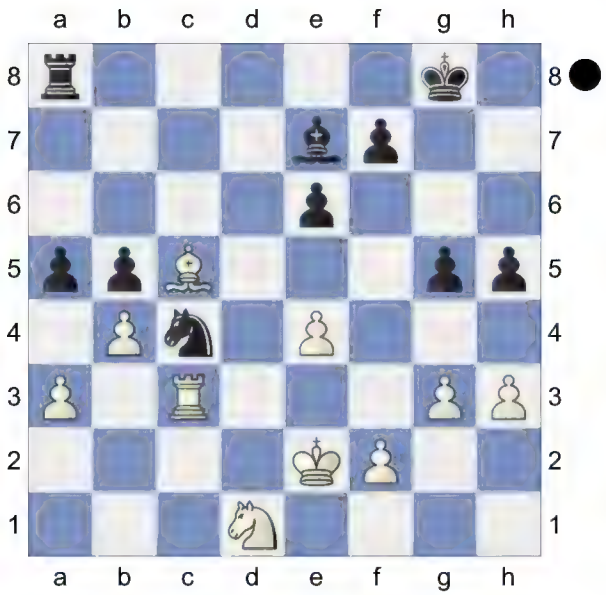


26.Nc1 Nxc1

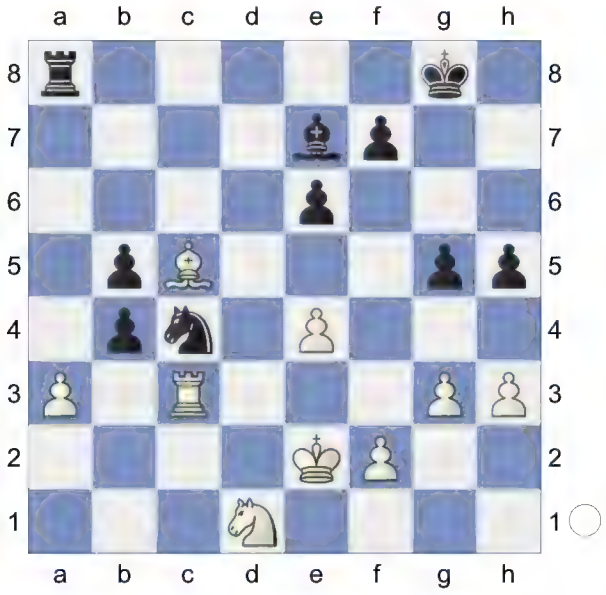
0x0.0020d34045f3dp-1022s more active pieces. The white rooks are badly placed. **27.Rxc1 Nc4 28.Ke2 Ra8 29.Rc3 a5 30.Bc5** -1.24/23

[⌓30.bxa5 -0.89/20 Rxa5 31.Bc1]

(Diagram)

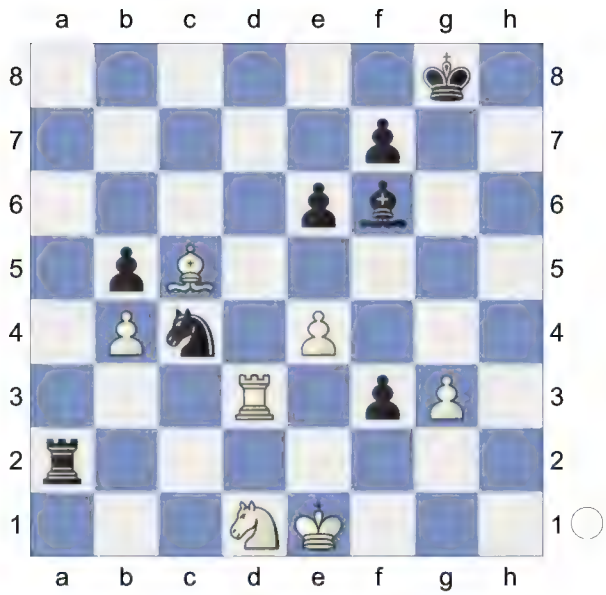


30...axb4!∓



31.axb4
[31.Bxb4 Bxb4]
31...Ra2+ 32.Ke1 Bf6 33.Rd3 g4 34.hxg4 hxg4 35.f4 Inhibits Ne5.
35...gxf3!

(Diagram)



36.Rxf3 Bg5 37.Bd4? -3.10/24
[37.Rd3∓ -1.07/22]
37...Bd2+-+ 38.Kf1 Bxb4 39.Rd3 Nd2+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.03 (flawless)
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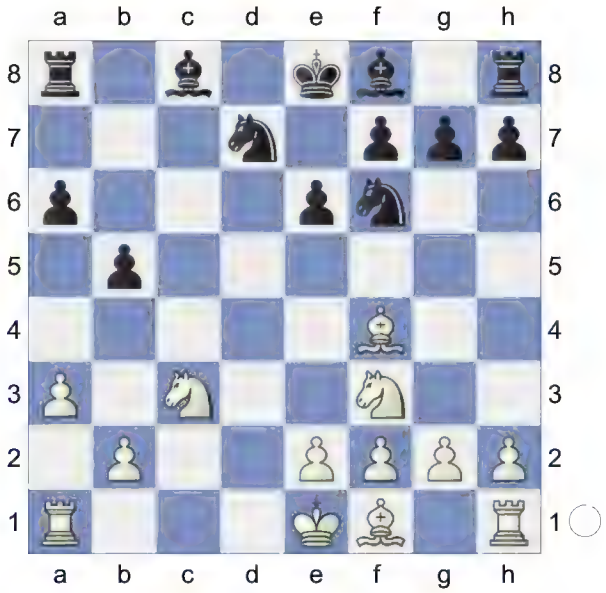
110 **D06**
□ **Fries,Hans**
■ **Grob,Henry**
FSZ der NZZ corr Switzerland 1940
[Grob v1 g66 FSZ #3]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5 Nf6
[3...Qxd5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Qxd4 Nc6 7.Qd5]
4.Nf3 cxd4 compare Exchange French/ Petroff **5.Qxd4 Qxd5**

6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6
[7...Bd7]
[7...e5]
8.Bf4
[8.e4 Nbd7 9.f3 e6 10.Nb3 Nc5 11.Na5 b5 *(11...b6 12.Nc4 b5 13.Nb6 Rb8 14.Nxc8 Rxc8 15.Be2)* 12.Be3 Nfd7 13.a3 Nb7 14.Nc6 Nd8 15.Nxd8 Kxd8 16.0-0-0 Bb7 17.Kb1 Rc8 18.a4 bxa4 *(18...b4 19.Na2 Ke8 20.Be2)* 19.Nxa4 Ke8 20.Be2 e5 *(20...Be7)* 21.Rd3 Bb4 *(21...Be7 22.Rhd1)* 22.Rb3 a5 23.Bb5 Rc7 24.Nb6 Bc6 25.Rc1]
[8.g3 e5 9.Nb3 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6 11.0-0 Bxg2 12.Kxg2 Nc6 13.Bg5 Nd7 14.Nd5 Bd6 15.Nd2 *(15.Rfd1)* 15...Rc8 16.Nc4 Bc5 17.Be3 Rd8 18.Rac1 0-0 19.Nxe5 Bxe3 20.Nxc6 Bxc1 21.Nxd8 Bxb2 22.Nxb7]
8...Nbd7 9.Nf3 e6 10.a3 b5



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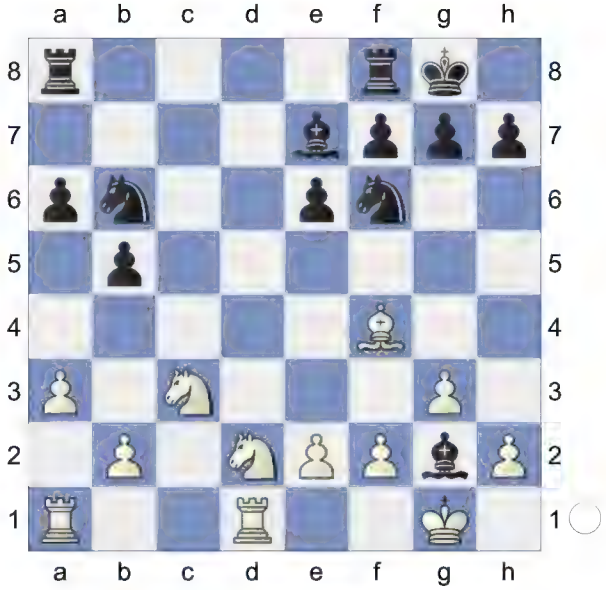

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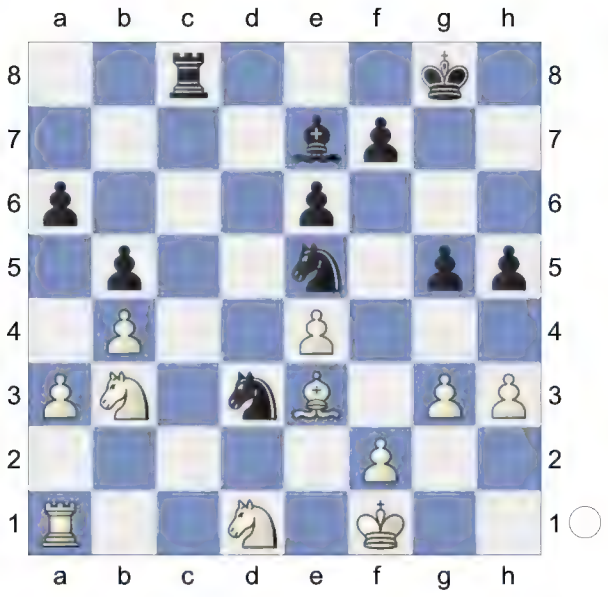
21.b4 Nd3 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Nb3? N7e5! 24.Kf1 g5 25.h3? h5!



26.Nc1? Nxc1 27.Rxc1 ⌓Nc4 28.Ke2 Ra8 29.Rc3 a5 30.Bc5 axb4

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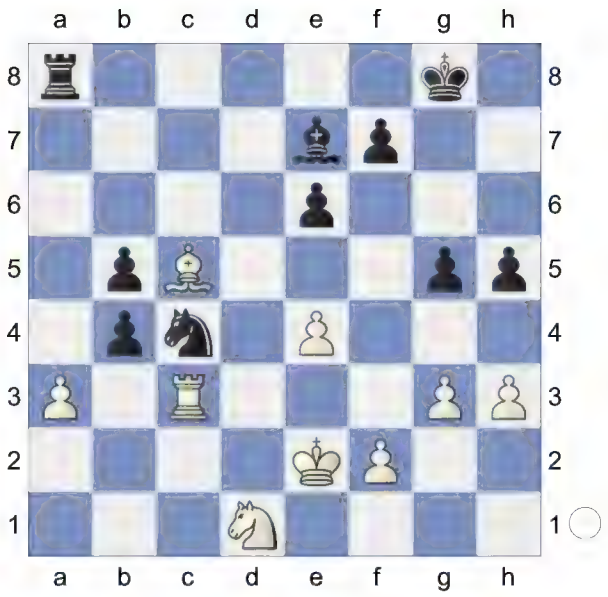
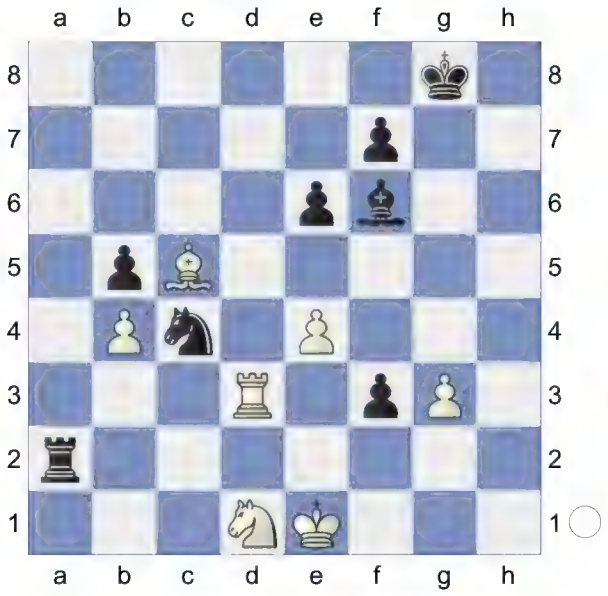


31.axb4 Ra2+ 32.Ke1 Bf6 33.Rd3 g4 34.hxg4 hxg4 35.f4

[35.Ne3 Ne5 36.Rd1 Bg5 *(36...Nf3+ 37.Kf1 Nd2+ 38.Kg1 Nxe4 39.Nxg4 Bg7 40.Rd8+ Kh7 41.Bd4)* 37.Kf1 Kh7 38.Rc1 Bxe3 39.Bxe3 Nc4]

35...gxf3



36.Rxf3 Bg5 37.Bd4

[37.Nf2]

37...Bd2+ 38.Kf1 Bxb4 39.Rd3 Nd2+

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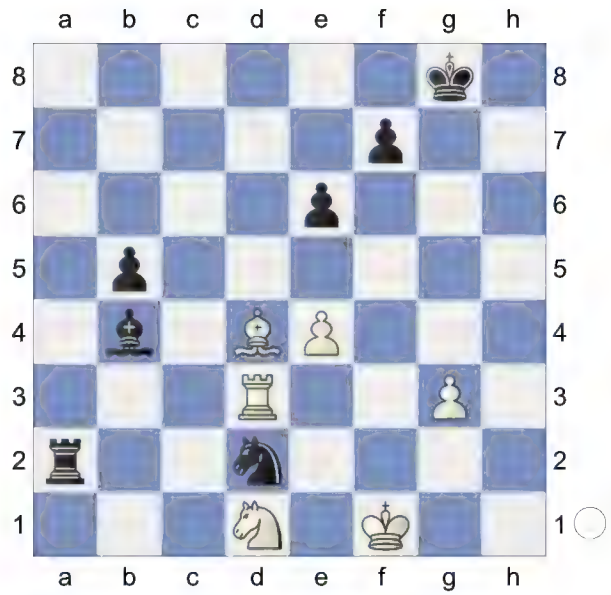

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111 **D06**
□ **Estrin,Yakov Borisovich**
■ **O'Kelly de Galway,Alberic**
friendly corr 5960 1959
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences O'Kelly etc: 'O'Kelly says in his book (page 32) that this was played as a friendly from 1959-60 to test the opening variation. So we don't think this was their Ragozin Memorial game, as some suppose. White follows a recipe from Euwe and is soon in a position where he must fight for a draw.' **1.d4** O'Kelly etc **1...d5** **2.c4** **c5** O'Kelly etc: '!?' **3.cxd5**

[3.dxc5 O'Kelly etc d4! 4.Nf3 40 4 b4!? see Unknown Capablanca (ed Hooper) game Nc6 5.e3 e5= Pachman?]

[3.Nf3 O'Kelly etc Nf6 line of English possibly favourable to White? *(3...e6* QGD, possible transposition to Tarrasch? *)*]

[3.Nc3 O'Kelly etc Nf6!? *(3...e6* Tarrasch*; 3...cxd4 4.Qxd4 dxc4* also possible?*)* 4.Nf3 *(4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.dxc5 Nxc3 6.Qxd8+ Kxd8 7.bxc3 Nd7*= Gerry O'Connell in ICJ*)* 4...Nc6 5.e3 e6 Symmetrical Tarrasch]

3...Nf6 O'Kelly etc: '!' O'Kelly etc: 'Rubinstein lived in Belgium during the World War II years and this was his idea; O'Kelly analysed it with him.'

[3...Qxd5 O'Kelly etc 4.Nf3 or 4 Nc3 Qa5 5 Bd2! White plus (BCO) cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5 5...Qd8 6 Qxd4 clear plus 6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.g3 e5 9.Bg2 Nc6 10.0-0± Przepiorka-Seitz, Hastings 1924-25 [ECO D06 n20]]

4.dxc5

[4.Nf3 O'Kelly etc cxd4

A) 5.Qxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qxd4 Bisguier recommended 6...Qa5!? 7.Nxd4 a6 *(*But NCO gives *7...Bd7 8.Ndb5 Na6 9.e4 e5 10.Bg5 Bb4 11.0-0-0 Bxc3 12.Nxc3 Nc7 13.Bc4 Bc6 14.Rhe1 Ne6=* Stohl-Votava, Mitropa Cup, Portorozh 1998*)* 8.g3 *(8.Bg5±* NCO *)* 8...e5 9.Nc2 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6 11.e4! The Black position is hard to play (O'Kelly);

B) 5.Nxd4 Nxd5 5...a6? INF 33/490 Text is a form of English Opening, e.g. 6.e4

B1) 6...Nb4 7.Qa4+ N4c6 8.Nxc6 Nxc6 9.Nc3 *(9.Be3±* source? *)* 9...e6 10.Be3 Bb4 11.Bb5 Bd7 12.0-0 Qa5 13.Rac1 a6 14.Qxa5± Illescas-Salmensuu, Elista Ol 1998;

B2) 6...Nf6 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 9.Nc3± NCO;

B3) 6...Nc7! 7.Nc3 e5 8.Ndb5± Timman-Miles, Niksic 1983 Qxd1+ 9.Kxd1 Nxb5 10.Nxb5 Na6 11.Be3± says NCO]

[4.Nc3 O'Kelly etc Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 e5!= Pachman (6...g6 Grunfeld Defence)]

[4.e4 (O'Kelly etc) ?! Pachman, but actually seems White's best line, all depending on 6...e5 Nxe4 5.dxc5 *(5.Bc4 Nd6* 5...Qa5+! = ECO p40 n61 *6.dxc5 Nxc4 7.Qa4+ Nd7 8.Qxc4 Qa5+ 9.b4 Ne5 10.bxa5 Nxc4 11.Na3 Ne5! 12.Nb5!* Pachman gave only 12 Ke2 e6 13 d6 b6 =+ *Kd8 13.Be3±* Minev *)*

A) 5...Qa5+ 6.Bd2! Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxc5 8.Na3 *(8.Nc3±* idea evtl.

Rc1 (O'Kelly)) 8...Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4 Qh6 11.f4 Na6 12.Ne5± H.Olafsson-Westerinen, Reykjavik 1997;

B) 5...Nxc5 necessary said O'Kelly 6.Nc3 *(6.Nf3 e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5±* Portisch-Bronstein, Monte Carlo 1969*)* 6...e6 *(6...e5* Black approx. = (O'Kelly) *7.b4 Nca6 8.a3±* NCO *)* 7.b4! Qf6 8.Qc2 Nca6 9.a3 exd5 10.Nxd5 Qe5+ 11.Ne3 Be6 *(11...Qxa1 12.Qxc8+ Ke7 13.Bd3* very dangerous for Black says O'Connell *)* 12.Bb2 Qc7 13.Bb5+ Nc6 14.Nf3± Bondarevsky-Lipiniks (ECO, BCO)]

4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5

[5.Bd2!? (O'Kelly etc) Podgorny, recommended by Pachman and BCO etc but lacking practical proofs. O'Kelly offered no suggestion against this so home analysis required Ne4 *(5...Qxc5 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.Nf3±* idea e3, Rc1 (Minev, ECO); += NCO*; 5...Nc6 6.Nc3 Qxc5 7.Rc1±* Gerry O'Connell, ICJ*)* 6.Nf3 e5 *(6...Qxc5 7.e3 Nc6 8.Nc3 Nxd2 9.Nxd2±* Pachman *)* 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.Bxc3 Qxd1+ 9.Rxd1 +=/clear plus says BCO2 f6 10.b4 clear plus (Podgorny) says NCO a5 11.a3 axb4 12.axb4 Ra3 13.Rc1 b6 14.e3! *(14.cxb6? Rxc3! 15.Rxc3 Bxb4=)* 14...bxc5 15.bxc5 Bd7 *(15...Na6 16.Bb5+ Bd7 17.Bxa6 Rxa6 18.0-0±)* 16.Be2 Nc6 17.Bb5± Pachman]

[5.Qa4+ O'Kelly etc Bd7 6.Qa3 e5 7.b4 b6 8.Nc3 Qc6 9.Nf3 bxc5 10.Nxe5 cxb4 11.Nxc6 bxa3 12.Ne5 Bb4 13.Bd2 0-0 14.Rb1 a5= Lanz-Haberditz, Vienna 1945]

5...Nxd5

O'Kelly etc: 'Critical position said O'Kelly; Black has two tempi for pawn.' **6.Bd2** O'Kelly etc: 'Euwe'

[6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 e5 O'Kelly etc: 'queried by Pachman; does Black have an improvement after 8 Bd2' *(7...e6* O'Kelly etc *8.Be3 Nd7* 8...N8a6 9 Bb5+ Korchnoi-Gusev (K's games 1956-POL-8) *9.Nb5 Bxc5 10.Nc7+ Kd8 11.Nxa8 Bxe3 12.fxe3 Nc2+ 13.Kd2 Nxa1 14.Nf3 b6 15.Bd3 Bb7 16.Nxb6 Nb3+ 17.Kc3! axb6 18.Kxb3±* Podgorny *)*

A) 8.Be3 O'Kelly etc: '8 Nf3 see ECO' f6 O'Kelly etc: '=!' *(8...a6?* (O'Kelly etc) waste of time. Golombek recommended 8...Be6 in The Times but that is untested. *9.Nf3 f6 10.Nd2 Be6 11.Bc4 Bxc4 12.Ndxc4 Bxc5? 13.Bxc5 Nd3+ 14.Ke2 Nxc5 15.Nb6 Ra7 16.Rac1* 1-0 Szabo-O'Kelly, Groningen 1946. When O'Kelly returned home, Rubinstein was extremely angry at this misuse of his line and said: You have disgraced my variation in the eyes

of the world!; *8...N8a6* (O'Kelly etc) ! Pachman *9.Bxa6* 57 9 Bb5+ ECO notes 56& *Nxa6* also playable 9... b a (P a c h m a n) *10.Nb5 Bd7 11.Nd6+ Bxd6 12.cxd6 Bc6 13.f3 Kd7 14.Rd1 Rhd8=* H.Mueller) 9.Bb5+ *(9.Bc4* O'Kelly etc *N8a6 10.Rc1 Bd7 11.Nb5 Nxa2!)* 9...Bd7 O'Kelly etc: '9...Kf7 favours White' 10.0-0-0 Nxa2+ 11.Kb1 Nb4 12.Ne2 a6 13.Bxd7+ Nxd7 14.Nc4 Rc8 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.Rxd6 Rc6 17.Rhd1 Rxd6 18.Rxd6 Ke7 19.Nc3 Rc8 20.Nd5+ Nxd5 21.Rxd5 Rc6 22.g3 Ke6 ½-½ Gooris,E-O'Kelly de Galway,A Belgium corr 1948 23.f4 O'Kelly etc f5! 24.fxe5 fxe4 25.Rd6+ Ke7 26.Bd4 e3! draw (Gooris-O'Kelly, Belgian corr 1948);

B) 8.Bd2! O'Kelly etc Bxc5 9.Rc1± Pachman;

C) 8.Nf3 f6 9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bb5 Bxc5 11.Ke2 *(11.0-0 Bd7 12.Rfc1 Be7* D 06/01 2003*)* 11...Ke7 12.Rhc1 b6 13.Nc4 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Nxa6 15.Ne3 Bxe3 16.Kxe3 Rhc8 17.Rc4 Nd8 18.Rac1 Rxc4 19.Rxc4 Ne6 20.b4 Nac7 0-1 Kortschnoj,V (2625)-Piket, J (2590) 58/388 Antwerpen 1993]

[6.a3 O'Kelly etc e5 7.e4 Nf6= Pachman]

6...e5 O'Kelly etc: '6...e6 favours White (s e e Pachman QG book)' **7.Na3N** O'Kelly etc: 'H.Mueller, Pachman recommendation'

[7.Nc3 Be6 *(7...Nxc3* O'Kelly etc *8.Bxc3 f6* improves on 8...Nc6? of F i n e - O ' K e l l y , N e w Y o r k 1 9 5 1 (Pachman p217) *9.Rc1 Be6 10.a3 Bxc5⊙ 11.Bxe5 fxe5! 12.Rxc5 Nd7* good lead in development for P (O'Kelly) *)* 8.Rc1 Nd7 9.e4 Nxc3 10.Bxc3 Bxc5 11.a3 f6 12.Nf3 Kf7 13.Be2 Be7 14.Nd2 a6 15.Bc4 Bxc4 16.Nxc4 Rac8 17.Nd2 Nc5 18.Ke2 Ne6 19.g3 Rhd8 20.Nb3 b6 21.Rhd1 Rxd1 5 Chapter-Games Chapter 14 Game]

7...Na6 O'Kelly etc: '!' O'Kelly etc: 'Overlooked by theory books'

[7...Bxc5 O'Kelly etc 8.Rc1 Nd7 *(8...b6 9.e4 Nb4 10.Nb5 Nxa2 11.Rxc5 bxc5 12.Bc4!±* Pachman *)* 9.Nb5 0-0 10.e4 N5f6 11.b4± Pachman]

[7...Nc6!? O'Kelly etc 8.Rc1 Be6 9.Nb5 a6 10.Nd6+ Bxd6 11.cxd6 Kd7 12.Nf3 f6 13.e4 Nf4= Donner-Lipiniks, Buenos Aires 1955 (ECO p40 n48)]

8.e4 Ndb4 9.Rc1 Ng1-f3 is in the air

[9.Bxa6 O'Kelly etc Nxa6 10.b4 b6 seizing the initiative (O'Kelly)]

9...Bd7 O'Kelly etc: '!'

[9...Nxa2 O'Kelly etc 10.Bb5+ Kd8 11 10...Bd7 loses piece to c6 11.Ba5+ Ke7 12.Rd1 with dangerous threats]

10.Bxa6 Nxa6

11.b4 b6! 12.c6 Be6 13.Nb5 Bxb4 O'Kelly etc: '!' **14.Nf3** O'Kelly etc: '14 Bxb4 Nxb4 with counter-threat Nd3+'

[14.Bxb4 Nxb4 15.Nf3 Nd3+ *(15...Nxa2 16.Nc7+ Ke7 17.Ra1∓)* 16.Ke2 Nxc1+ 17.Rxc1 f6 *(17...Bxa2 18.Nc7+ Ke7 19.Nxa8±)* 18.Nc7+ Ke7 19.Nxa8 Rxa8∓]

[14.Nc7+ O'Kelly etc Nxc7 15.Bxb4 Bxa2 16.Bd6 0-0-0!]

14...Bxd2+ O'Kelly etc: '14...f6!?'

15.Nxd2 Ke7

16.Nc4! Nb4 O'Kelly etc: '!' **17.Nxe5** A dynamic duo of knights. O'Kelly etc: '!'

17...Nxa2 O'Kelly etc: 'The most difficult moment of the game said O'Kelly'

[17...f6 O'Kelly etc 18.Nf3! Nd3+ 19.Ke2 Nxc1+ 20.Rxc1 Bxa2 21.Ke3 for exchange White has dangerous centralisation (idea Nc3-d5)]

18.Rb1

[18.Ra1? O'Kelly etc Nb4 19.Nxa7 Kd6 20.f4 f6 21.Nf3 Nc2+ 22.Kd2 Nxa1 23.Rxa1 Kc5!-+ idea ...b5, ... Kb6]

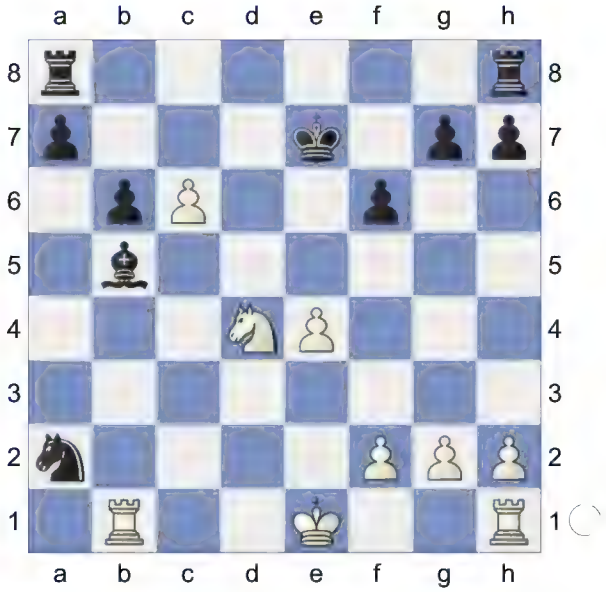
18...f6 19.Nf3 -0.44/20

[19.Nd3= -0.01/22]

19...Bc4 -0.01/20 O'Kelly etc: '!'

[19...Rhc8∓ -0.44/20 20.Nfd4 a6]

20.Nfd4= O'Kelly etc: '20 Nbd4 allows K to go via d6 to c5' **20...Bxb5!**



21.Rxb5 -0.76/22

[21.Nxb5= -0.16/21 Rhc8 22.Nd4 *(22.c7? a6-+)*]

O'Kelly etc: '!' O'Kelly etc: 'idea Kd2, Rxa1' **21...Rhd8!∓ 22.Nf5+ Kf8 23.0-0** -1.50/20

[23.c7 Rd7 24.Rb3 Rxc7∓]

[White should play 23.Rb3!∓ -0.53/20]

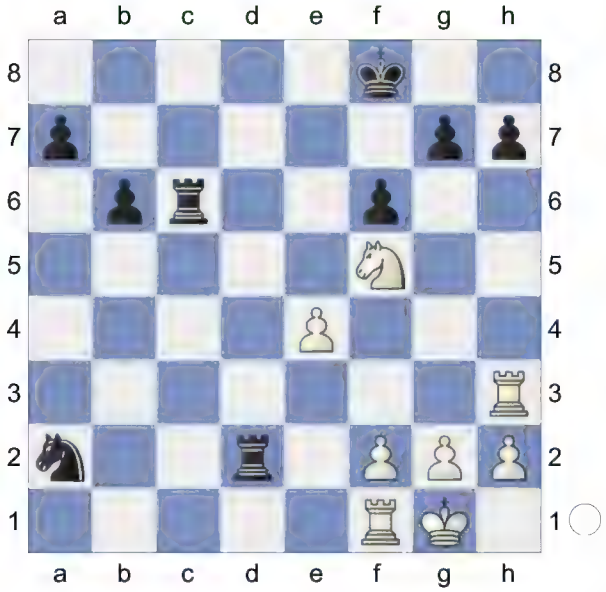
23...Rac8 -0.35/22

[Black should try 23...Nc3∓ -1.50/20 24.Rb4 *(24.c7? Nxb5 25.cxd8N Rxd8-+)* 24...b5]

24.Rb3∓ O'Kelly etc: '!!' O'Kelly etc: 'Threat Ra3 to win Pa7' **24...Rd2!**

25.Rh3! Rxc6

[25...h6 O'Kelly etc 26.Rg3 Rc7 27.f4 threat evtl e4-e5 giving Black no time to advance Q-side pawns]

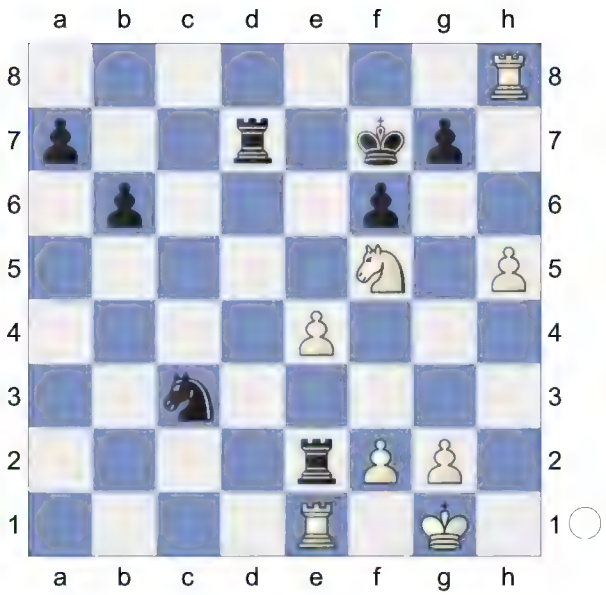


26.Rxh7 Rc7 27.Rh8+ Kf7 28.h4 O'Kelly etc: '!' **28...Nc3 29.h5** And now h5-h6 would win. O'Kelly etc: 'Threat h6' **29...Rcd7**

[Inferior is 29...Nxe4 30.h6 gxh6 31.Rh7+ Kg6 32.Rxc7+-]

30.Re1 Re2

(Diagram)



31.Rxe2

[31.Rc1?! O'Kelly etc Nxe4 32.Rcc8 Rxf2→]

31...Nxe2+= Endgame KRN-KRN

32.Kh2 Nd4 0.01/21

[32...Nc3∓ -0.50/21]

33.g4 The position is equal.

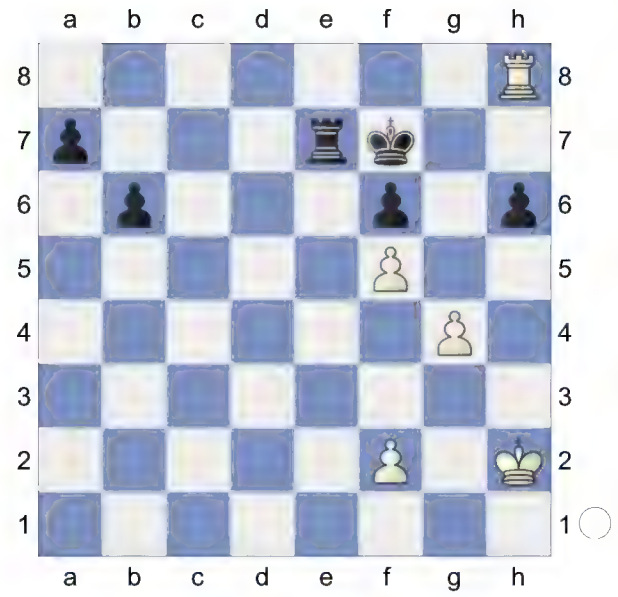
[33.h6 O'Kelly etc Nxf5 34.h7 Kg6 35.exf5+ Kh6 idea ...g6 and eliminate Ph7]

33...Nxf5 34.exf5 Re7 Hoping for ... Re7-e8. O'Kelly etc: 'Threat Re8' **35.h6** O'Kelly etc: '!'

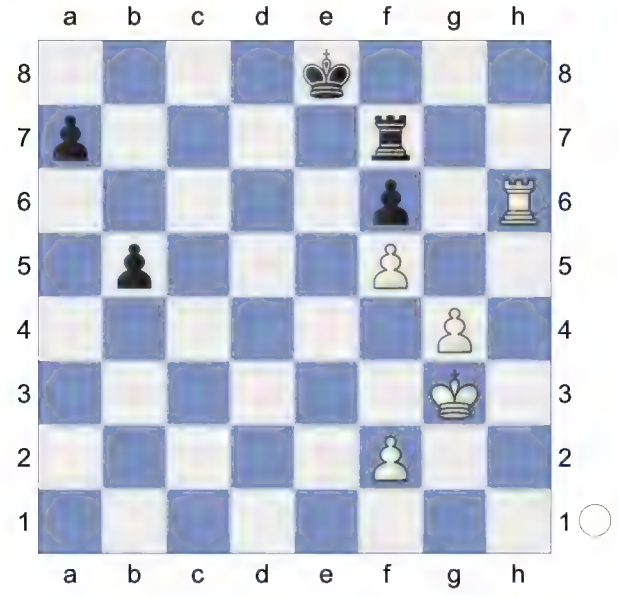
[35.Rb8!?]

35...gxh6

(Diagram)



36.Rh7+ Ke8 37.Rxh6 Rf7 38.Kg3 b5



Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise)
O'Kelly etc: '39 Kf4 b4 40 Rh8+ Rf8 41 Rxf8+ Kxf8 42 Ke4 a5 43 f4 idea g5-g6'
½-½

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□ **Estrin,Yakov Borisovich**
■ **Sadomsky,Anatolymikhailovich**
USSR ch-05 6063 1960
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4** Motwani, Paul
1...d5 2.c4 c5 3.cxd5
[3.dxc5 Motwani, Paul d4 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.e3 e5]
[3.Nf3 Motwani, Paul Nf6 *(3...e6)*]
[3.Nc3 Motwani, Paul Nf6 *(3...e6; 3...cxd4 4.Qxd4 dxc4)* 4.Nf3 *(4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.dxc5 Nxc3 6.Qxd8+ Kxd8 7.bxc3 Nd7)* 4...Nc6 5.e3 e6]
3...Nf6
[3...Qxd5 Motwani, Paul 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.g3 e5 9.Bg2 Nc6 10.0-0]
4.dxc5
[4.Nf3 Motwani, Paul cxd4
A) 5.Qxd4 Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 *(7...Bd7 8.Ndb5 Na6 9.e4 e5 10.Bg5 Bb4 11.0-0-0 Bxc3 12.Nxc3 Nc7 13.Bc4 Bc6 14.Rhe1 Ne6)* 8.g3 *(8.Bg5)* 8...e5 9.Nc2 Bd7 10.Bg2 Bc6 11.e4;
B) 5.Nxd4 Nxd5 6.e4
B1) 6...Nb4 7.Qa4+ N4c6 8.Nxc6 Nxc6 9.Nc3 *(9.Be3)* 9...e6 10.Be3 Bb4 11.Bb5 Bd7 12.0-0 Qa5 13.Rac1 a6 14.Qxa5;
B2) 6...Nf6 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Bxd7+ Nbxd7 9.Nc3;
B3) 6...Nc7 7.Nc3 e5 8.Ndb5 Qxd1+ 9.Kxd1 Nxb5 10.Nxb5 Na6 11.Be3]
[4.Nc3 Motwani, Paul Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 e5]
[4.e4 Motwani, Paul Nxe4 5.dxc5 *(5.Bc4 Nd6 6.dxc5 Nxc4 7.Qa4+ Nd7 8.Qxc4 Qa5+ 9.b4 Ne5 10.bxa5 Nxc4 11.Na3 Ne5 12.Nb5 Kd8 13.Be3)*
A) 5...Qa5+ 6.Bd2 Nxd2 7.Qxd2 Qxc5 8.Na3 *(8.Nc3)* 8...Bd7 9.Rc1 Qb6 10.Nc4 Qh6 11.f4 Na6 12.Ne5;
B) 5...Nxc5 6.Nc3 *(6.Nf3 e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5)* 6...e6 *(6...e5 7.b4 Nca6 8.a3)* 7.b4 Qf6 8.Qc2 Nca6 9.a3 exd5 10.Nxd5 Qe5+ 11.Ne3 Be6 *(11...Qxa1 12.Qxc8+ Ke7 13.Bd3)* 12.Bb2 Qc7 13.Bb5+ Nc6 14.Nf3]
4...Qxd5 5.Qxd5
[5.Bd2 Motwani, Paul Ne4 *(5...Qxc5 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.Nf3; 5...Nc6 6.Nc3 Qxc5 7.Rc1)* 6.Nf3 e5 *(6...Qxc5 7.e3 Nc6 8.Nc3 Nxd2 9.Nxd2)* 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.Bxc3 Qxd1+ 9.Rxd1 f6 10.b4 a5 11.a3 axb4 12.axb4 Ra3 13.Rc1 b6 14.e3 *(14.cxb6 Rxc3 15.Rxc3 Bxb4)* 14...bxc5 15.bxc5 Bd7 *(15...Na6 16.Bb5+ Bd7 17.Bxa6 Rxa6 18.0-0)* 16.Be2 Nc6 17.Bb5]
[5.Qa4+ Motwani, Paul Bd7 6.Qa3 e5 7.b4 b6 8.Nc3 Qc6 9.Nf3 bxc5 10.Nxe5 cxb4 11.Nxc6 bxa3 12.Ne5 Bb4 13.Bd2 0-0 14.Rb1 a5]
5...Nxd5

(Diagram)

6.Bd2

[6.e4 Nb4 7.Na3 e5 *(7...e6* Motwani, Paul *8.Be3 Nd7 9.Nb5 Bxc5 10.Nc7+ Kd8 11.Nxa8 Bxe3 12.fxe3 Nc2+ 13.Kd2 Nxa1 14.Nf3 b6 15.Bd3 Bb7 16.Nxb6 Nb3+ 17.Kc3 axb6 18.Kxb3)*

A) 8.Be3 Motwani, Paul f6 *(8...a6 9.Nf3 f6 10.Nd2 Be6 11.Bc4 Bxc4 12.Ndxc4 Bxc5 13.Bxc5 Nd3+ 14.Ke2 Nxc5 15.Nb6 Ra7 16.Rac1;* 8...N8a6 9.Bxa6 Nxa6 10.Nb5 Bd7 11.Nd6+ Bxd6 12.cxd6 Bc6 13.f3 Kd7 14.Rd1 Rhd8) 9.Bb5+ *(9.Bc4 N8a6 10.Rc1 Bd7 11.Nb5 Nxa2)* 9...Bd7 10.0-0-0 Nxa2+ 11.Kb1 Nb4 12.Ne2 a6 13.Bxd7+ Nxd7 14.Nc4 Rc8 15.Nd6+ Bxd6 16.Rxd6 Rc6 17.Rhd1 Rxd6 18.Rxd6 Ke7 19.Nc3 Rc8 20.Nd5+ Nxd5 21.Rxd5 Rc6 22.g3 Ke6 23.f4 f5 24.fxe5 fxe4 25.Rd6+ Ke7 26.Bd4 e3;

B) 8.Bd2 Motwani, Paul Bxc5 9.Rc1;

C) 8.Nf3 f6 9.Bd2 N8c6 10.Bb5 Bxc5 11.Ke2 *(11.0-0 Bd7 12.Rfc1 Be7* D 06/01 2003*)* 11...Ke7 12.Rhc1 b6 13.Nc4 Ba6 14.Bxa6 Nxa6 15.Ne3 Bxe3 16.Kxe3 Rhc8 17.Rc4 Nd8 18.Rac1 Rxc4 19.Rxc4 Ne6 20.b4 Nac7 0-1 Kortschnoj,V (2625)-Piket, J (2590) 58/388 Antwerpen 1993]

[6.a3 Motwani, Paul e5 7.e4 Nf6]

6...e5 7.Na3N

[7.Nc3 Motwani, Paul: '!' Be6 *(7...Nxc3* Motwani, Paul *8.Bxc3 f6 9.Rc1 Be6 10.a3 Bxc5 11.Bxe5 fxe5 12.Rxc5 Nd7)* 8.Rc1 Nd7 9.e4 Nxc3 10.Bxc3 Bxc5 11.a3 f6 12.Nf3 Kf7 13.Be2 Be7 14.Nd2 a6 15.Bc4 Bxc4 16.Nxc4 Rac8 17.Nd2 Nc5 18.Ke2 Ne6 19.g3 Rhd8 20.Nb3 b6 21.Rhd1 Rxd1 5 Chapter-Games Chapter 14 Game]

7...Na6 0.44/19

[7...Bf5= 0.05/18]

[7...Bxc5 Motwani, Paul 8.Rc1 Nd7 *(8...b6 9.e4*

Nb4! 10.Nb5 Nxa2! 11.Rxc5 bxc5! (Yet another power-packed move in a devastating sequence of 'punches' from Estrin.) *12.Bc4)* 9.Nb5?! 0-0 10.e4 N5f6 11.b4]

[7...Nc6 Motwani, Paul 8.Rc1 Be6 9.Nb5 a6 with decisive threats

against Black, and White duly went on to win (1-0, 37). 10.Nd6+ Bxd6!! 11.cxd6 Kd7 12.Nf3 f6! is a tactical nightmare for Black. Best is 13.e4 Nf4]

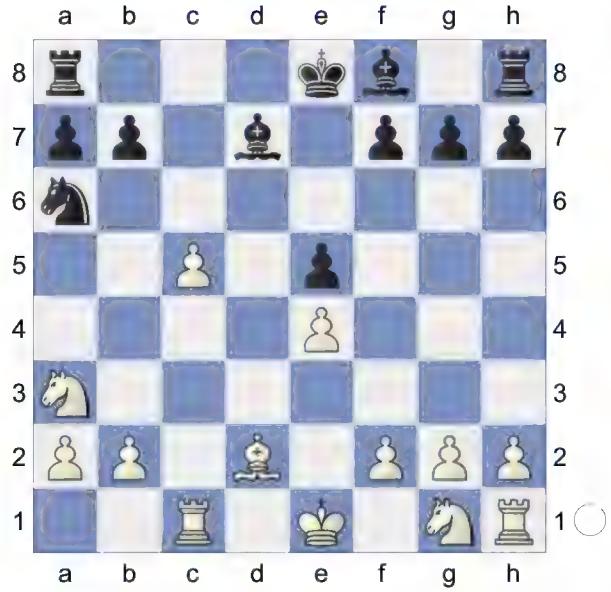
8.e4± White is slightly better. **8...Ndb4 9.Rc1**

[If 9.Bxa6 Motwani, Paul Nxa6 10.b4 then 4... ♘f6 would transpose to our main game, but instead Black chose b6 in the encounter Y.Estrin-S.Letic, Yugoslavia-USSR 1967, where the continuation was]

9...Bd7

[9...Nxa2 Motwani, Paul 10.Bb5+ Kd8 cannot be recommended for White, and he must certainly avoid 11.Ba5+?? because of Ke7! . 12.Rd1 is a whole different 'ballpark', but Estrin's chosen move will bring us more than enough excitement for one game.]

10.Bxa6 Motwani, Paul: '!' **10...Nxa6**



11.b4 Motwani, Paul: '!' Motwani, Paul: 'Diagram

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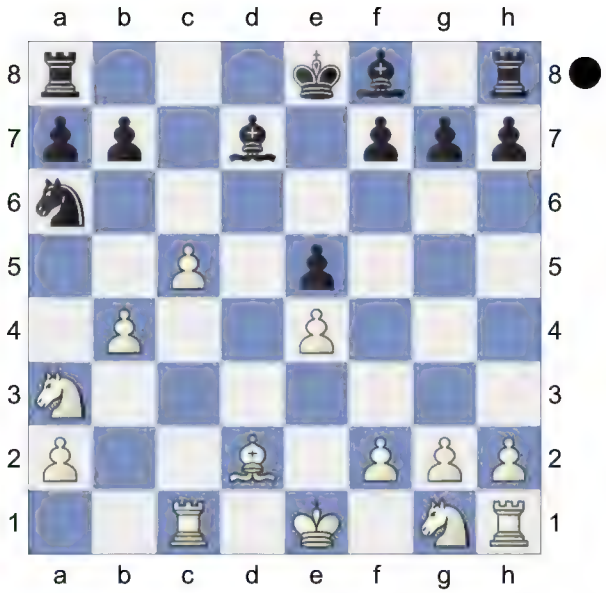


Effectively fixing Black's c-pawns where they stand, so that they can later be attacked and (very possibly) won.'

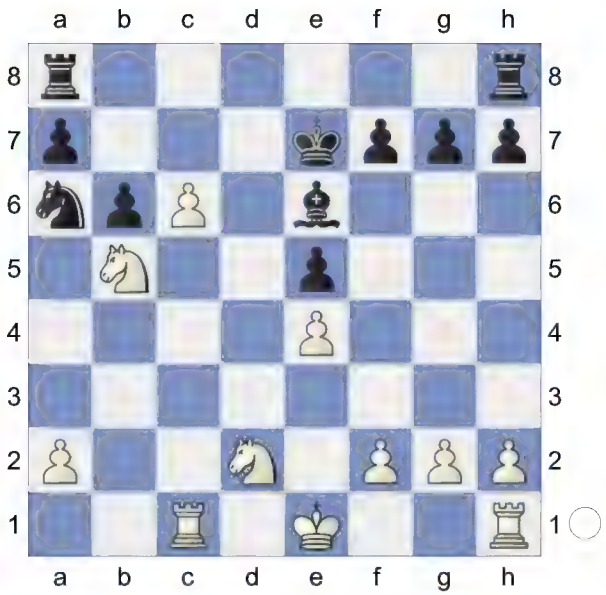
11...b6! 12.c6 Be6 13.Nb5

Bxb4 14.Nf3

[14.Bxb4 Nxb4 15.Nc7+ Ke7 16.Nxa8 Nd3+ *(16...Rxa8 17.Kd2∓)* 17.Kd2 Nxc1 18.Kxc1 Rxa8-+]

[14.Nc7+ Motwani, Paul Nxc7 15.Bxb4 Bxa2 is generally considered to be 'equal'. or 16.Bd6 0-0-0]

14...Bxd2+ 15.Nxd2 Motwani, Paul: '!' **15...Ke7**



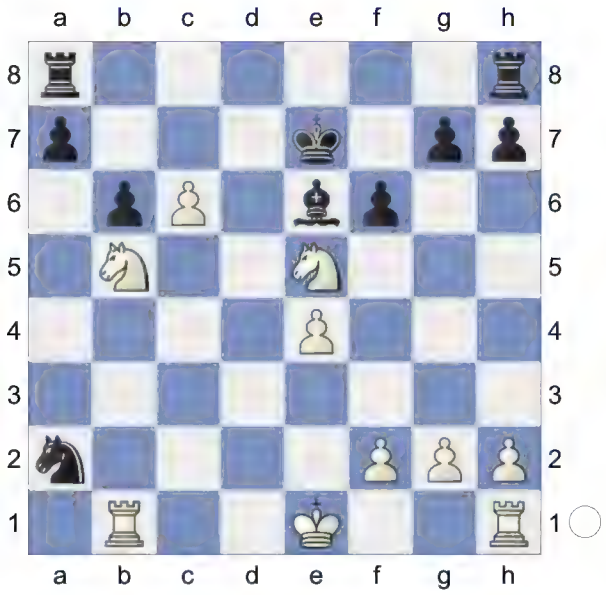
16.Nc4! Nb4! 17.Nxe5 Nxa2

[The variation 17...f6 Motwani, Paul 18.Nf3 Nd3+ 19.Ke2 Nxc1+ 20.Rxc1 Bxa2 21.Ke3]

18.Rb1

[18.Ra1 Motwani, Paul Nb4 19.Nxa7 Kd6! 20.f4 f6 21.Nf3 Nc2+ 22.Kd2 Nxa1 . 23.Rxa1 is a wholly respectable alternative as is Kc5 .]

18...f6 Motwani, Paul: 'Diagram



' **19.Nf3** -0.48/21 Motwani, Paul: '!' Motwani, Paul: 'A perfectly-timed tactical shot from Estrin.'

[19.Nd3= -0.09/21]

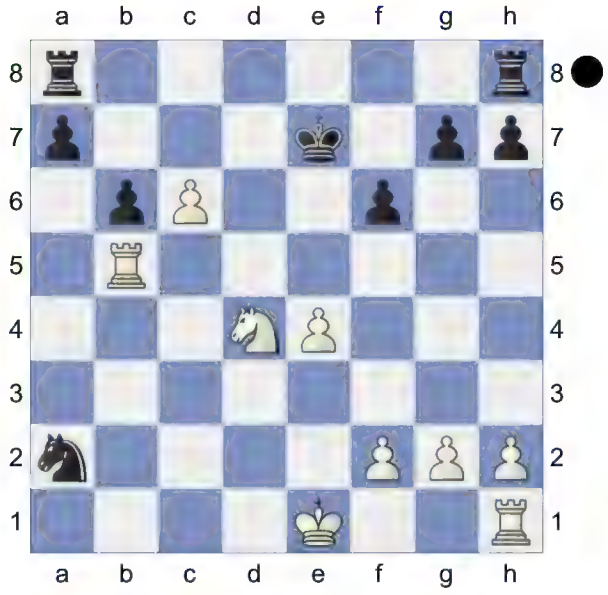
19...Bc4 -0.01/20

[19...Rhc8∓ -0.48/21 is superior. 20.Nfd4 a6]

20.Nfd4= Bxb5!

21.Rxb5 -0.74/21

[21.Nxb5= -0.20/21 Rhc8 22.Nd4 *(22.c7? a6-+)*]



21...Rhd8!∓ 22.Nf5+ Kf8 23.0-0

[23.c7 Rd7 24.Rb3 Rxc7∓]

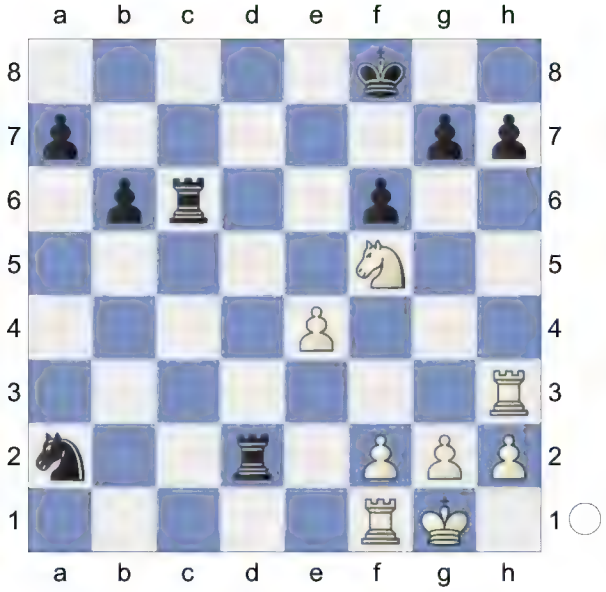
23...Rac8

[23...Nc3 24.Rb4= *(24.c7? Nxb5*

25.cxd8N Rxd8-+)]

24.Rb3! Rd2 25.Rh3! Rxc6

[instead of getting into a mess with 25...h6? Motwani, Paul 26.Rg3 Rc7 27.f4 , when one unpleasant line is]



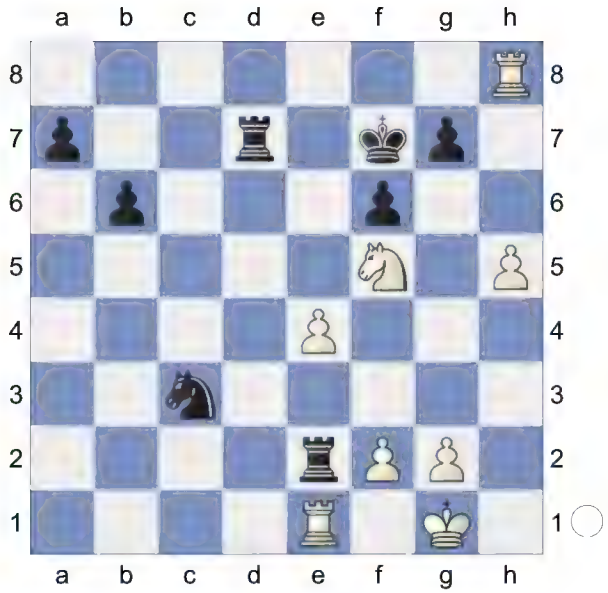
26.Rxh7 Motwani, Paul: 'The first of Black's three weaklings drops off on the c-file.' **26...Rc7** ...Kf8-g8 would now be deadly. **27.Rh8+** Motwani, Paul: 'Maintaining the pressure, while preventing 27... ♖d3 because of 28 ♕xh8+.' **27...Kf7 28.h4 Nc3 29.h5** Black must now prevent h5-h6.

29...Rcd7!

[Not 29...Nxe4 30.h6 gxh6 31.Rh7+ Kg6 32.Rxc7+-]

30.Re1 Motwani, Paul: 'Simple, strong chess.' **30...Re2**

(Diagram)



31.Rxe2

[31.Rc1! (Motwani, Paul) . White's centralised ♘ remains unperturbed after Nxe4 . Nowadays, the major alternative is 32.Rcc8! , after which White normally plays Rxf2]

31...Nxe2+= Endgame KRN-KRN

32.Kh2 Nd4 0.01/22

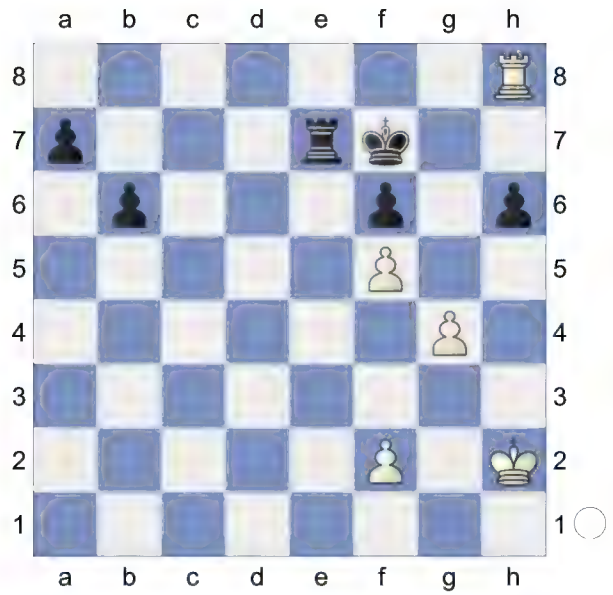
[Black should try 32...Nc3!∓ -0.51/20]

33.g4 The position is equal.

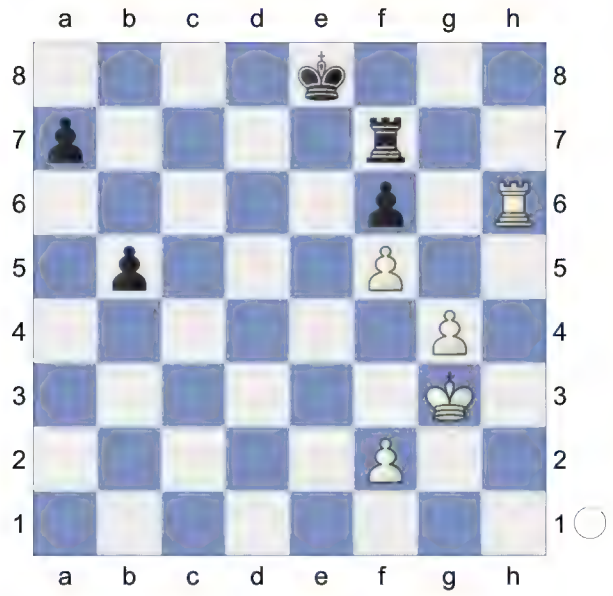
[33.h6 Motwani, Paul Nxf5 34.h7 Kg6 35.exf5+ is horrible for Black. Kh6 simply loses a pawn to]

33...Nxf5 34.exf5 Re7 35.h6 gxh6

(Diagram)



36.Rh7+ Motwani, Paul: 'Black lost on time according to Shakmatny Byulleten 5/1962, but of course his two-pawn deficit would have been fatal in any case.' Motwani, Paul: 'If' **36...Ke8** **37.Rxh6** Motwani, Paul: 'then White simultaneously threatens 26 ♕xc4 or 26 e7+.' **37...Rf7** Motwani, Paul: '?' Motwani, Paul: 'would throw away White's positional advantage, because Black then has' **38.Kg3** Motwani, Paul: '.' **38...b5**



Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.05 (flawless) Loss on time!?

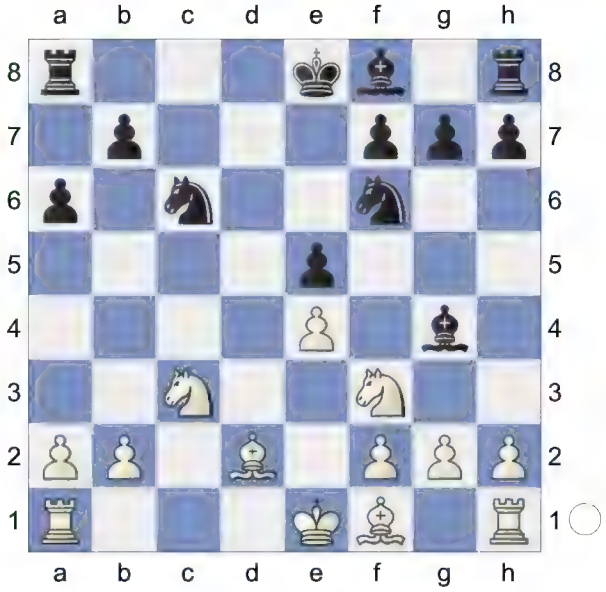
1-0

113 **D06**
□ **Foltys,Jan**
■ **Canal,Esteban**
Venice (3) 1949
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.Nf3 Nf6 4.cxd5 cxd4 5.Qxd4N
[5.Nxd4
A) 5...a6 6.Qa4+ *(6.e4 Nxe4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qb3 Nc5 9.Qe3 g6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.Qc3 Rg8 12.Be3 b6 13.Nbd2 Bg7 14.Bd4 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Bb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.0-0 Ra4 18.b4 Qd8 19.a3 Nbd7 20.Rfe1 Kf8* Alekhine-4.♘f3 de5 5.♘e5 g6 Survey 1997 LEX-CD [ChessBase] (40)) 6...b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01;
B) 5...Qxd5 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qh5 8.Bd2 e5 9.Nb5 Na6 10.Bc3 Ne4 11.Qd5 Nxc3 12.bxc3 Qg5 13.Nd2 Qe7 14.Nc4 Qe6 15.Qxe5 Qxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.e3 Bc5 18.Bc4 Ke7 19.Bxe6 Kxe6 Brandics,J (2550)-0.) 5.Nc3 Las Vegas 1924 200 Traps In The Opening [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 1-0 (68)]
5...Qxd5

(Diagram)

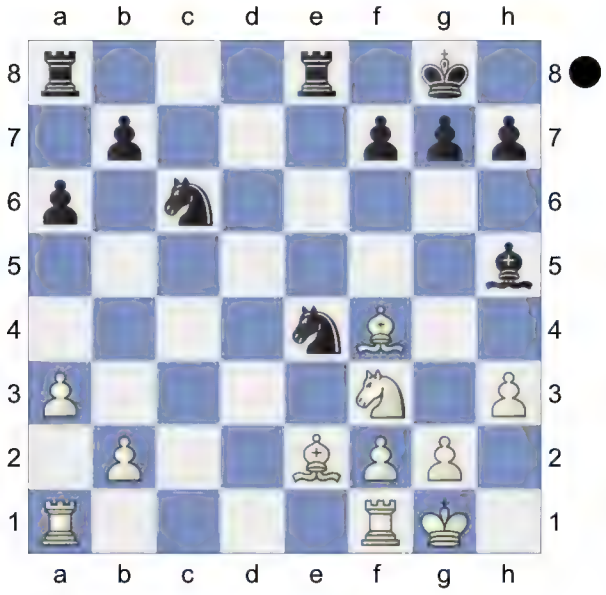
6.Nc3 Qxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.e4 e5 9.Nf3 Nc6 10.Bd2 Bg4



11.Be2 Bb4 12.h3 Bh5 13.a3 Bxc3 14.Bxc3 Nxe4 15.Bxe5 0-0

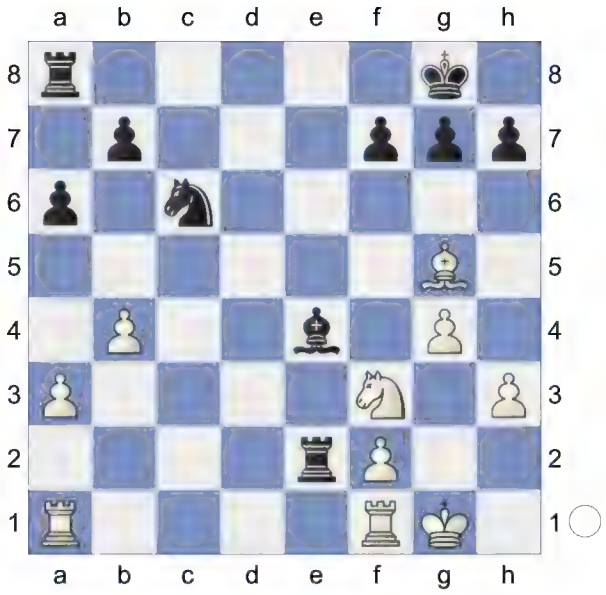
(Diagram)

16.Bf4 Rfe8 17.0-0

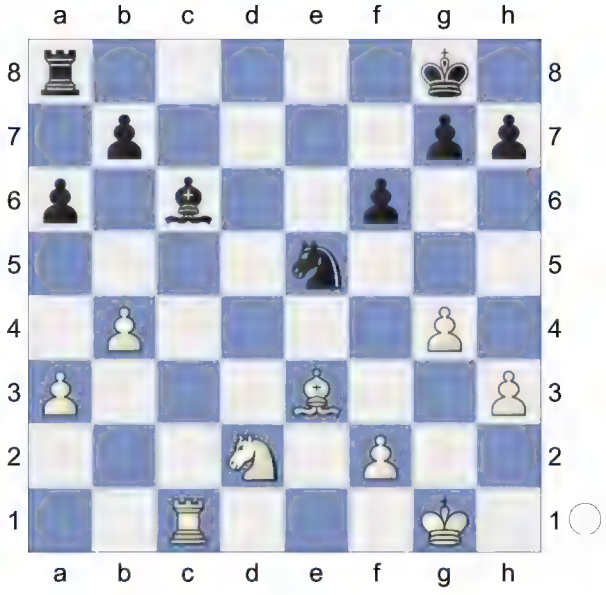


Ng5! 18.Bxg5
[18.Rfe1 Rxe2]
18...Rxe2 19.g4 Bg6 20.b4 Be4

(Diagram)

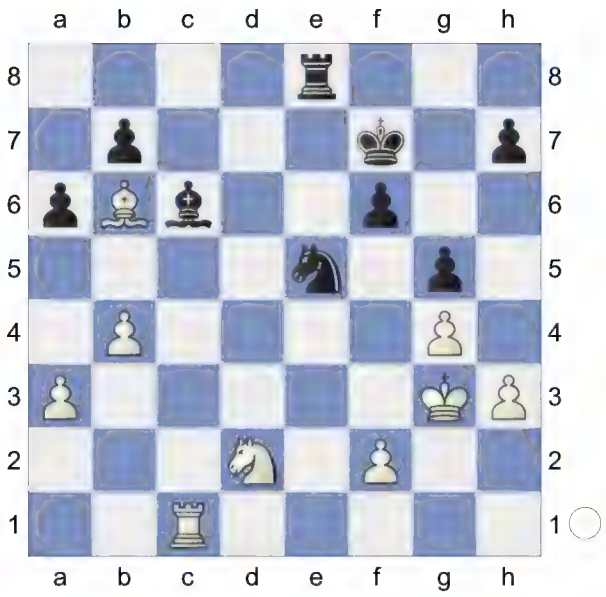


21.Nd2 Bd5 22.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 f6 -0.25/24
[23...Nd4∓ -0.58/21]
24.Be3!= Ne5 25.Rc1 Against Rc8
25...Bc6

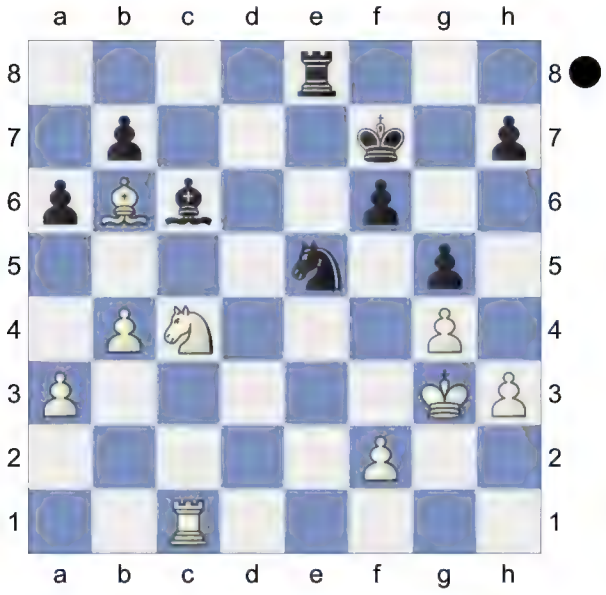


26.Bb6 Re8 27.Re1 -0.47/21
[27.Rc3= -0.13/20]
27...Rc8∓ 28.Rc1 Kf7 29.Kh2 Re8 30.Kg3 g5

(Diagram)



31.Nc4



aiming for Nd6+. **31...Nxc4 32.Rxc4 h5 33.gxh5**

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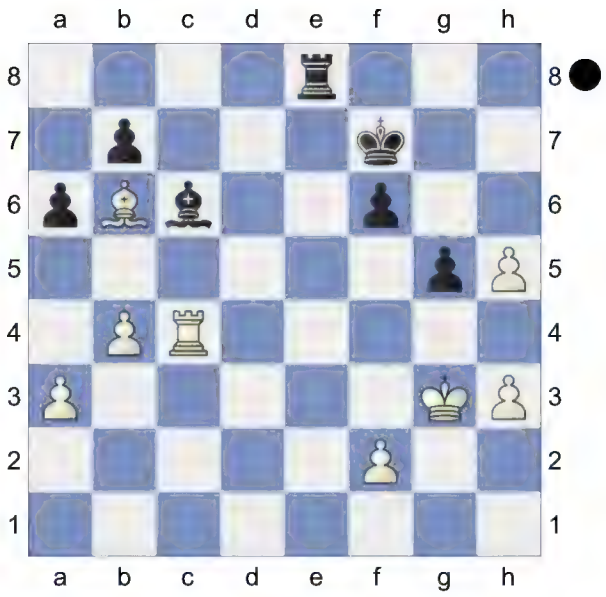


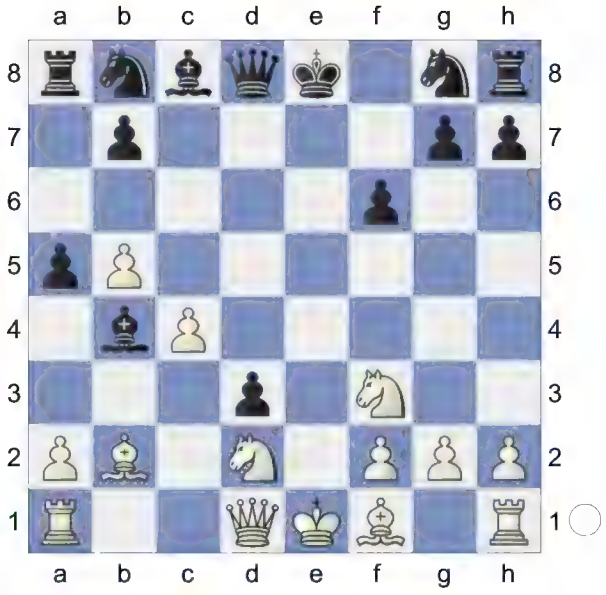
Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)
½-½

114 **D06**
□ **Werner,J.**
■ **Shashikant,Kutwal**
Vidmar mem 14th 1867
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.dxc5N
[3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
[3.Nf3 Nf6 4.cxd5 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Qxd5 *(5...a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1* D 06/01) 6.Nc3 Qa5 7.Nb3 Qc7 8.e4 Nc6 9.Be2 e6 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Nb5 Qb8 12.a3 Be7 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Be3 Rd8 15.Qc2 e5 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Rxd8+ Qxd8 Chapter-Games Game 5 (56)]
3...d4 4.b4 a5 5.b5 e5

(Diagram)

6.Nf3 f6 0.50/19
[6...Bxc5= 0.07/17 is superior. 7.Nxe5 Bb4+ 8.Bd2 Nf6]
7.e3± Bxc5 8.exd4 White is slightly better.
[8.Ba3 Bxa3 9.Nxa3 Qe7=]
8...exd4 0.98/21
[8...Bb4+± 0.61/20 9.Bd2 e4]
9.Bb2!± Bb4+ 10.Nbd2 d3



...Qe7+ is the strong threat. **11.Bd4** 0.23/21
[White should try 11.Qb1± 0.85/20]
11...Bg4 0.67/19

[11...Qe7+= 0.23/21 12.Be3 Bf5]

12.Be3± a4 0.94/20

[12...Nh6!± 0.51/17]

13.a3± Ba5 14.h3 Bh5 15.g4 Bf7

16.Rc1 0.60/20

[Better is 16.Bg2!± 0.93/20]

16...Ne7± 17.Bg2

[17.Nd4!?]

17...Nd7 18.0-0! Black must now prevent Ne4. **18...0-0 19.Re1** -0.20/17

[19.Nd4± 0.61/18]

19...Ng6

[19...Re8!?]

20.Rf1 -0.48/20

[20.c5!= -0.04/17]

20...Qe7 -0.09/18

[20...Nb6∓ -0.48/20 might be stronger.]

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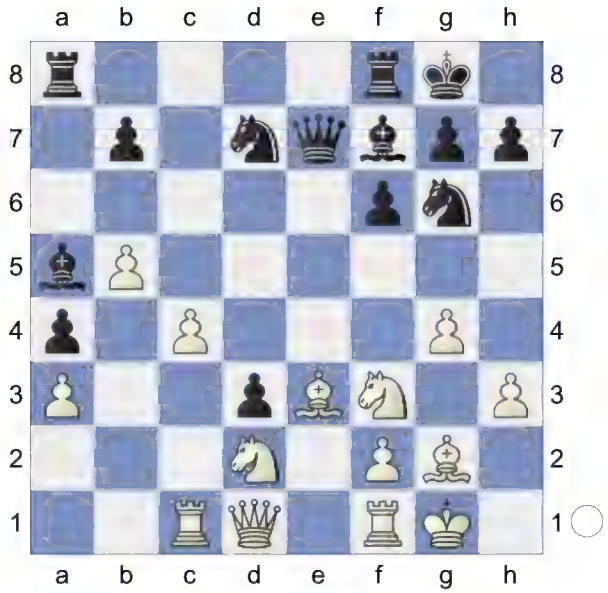


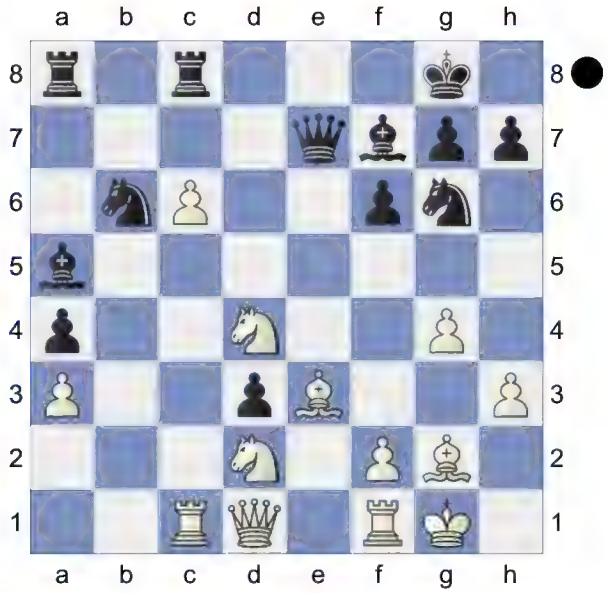
21.c5 -0.47/19

[21.Nd4= -0.09/18 deserves consideration. Nc5 22.Bd5]

21...Rfc8!∓ 22.c6 -0.93/20

[White should play 22.Re1∓ -0.40/19]

22...bxc6∓ 23.bxc6 Nb6 24.Nd4



Nh4

[24...Qxa3?! 25.c7=]

25.N2f3 Nxg2

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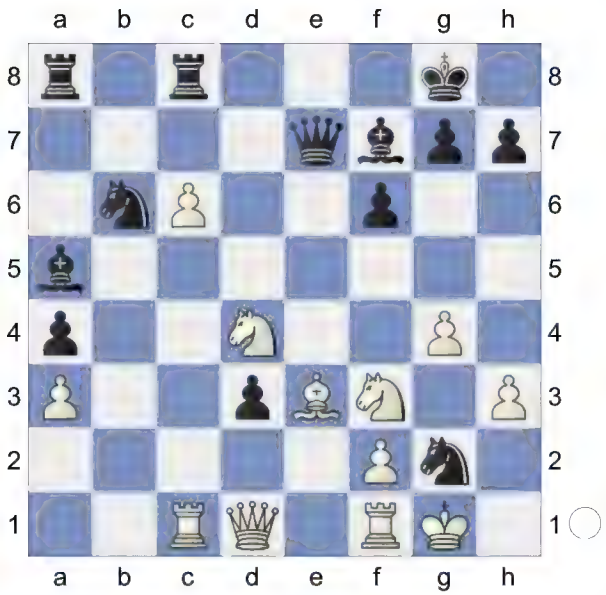
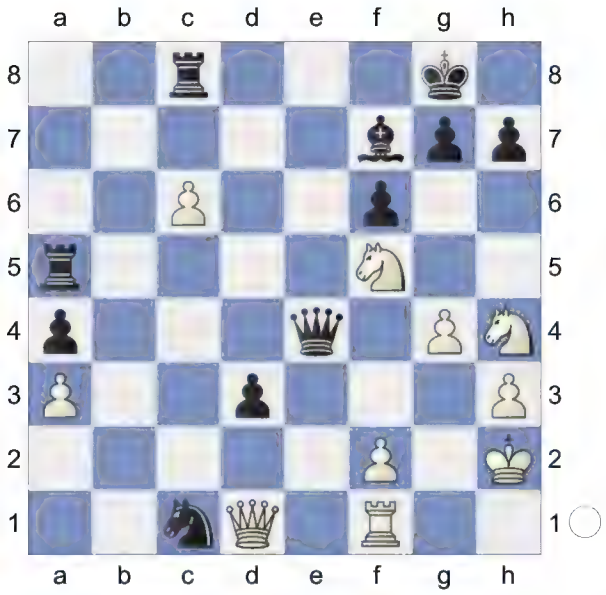


&Nero is more active. **26.Nf5** -4.86/21 This costs White the game.
[26.Kxg2∓ -1.00/19 Qxa3 27.Ra1]
26...Qe4-+ **27.Bxb6** aiming for Nd6.
27...Nf4
[Not 27...Bxb6 28.Kxg2 *(28.Nd6 Ne3∓)* 28...Bd5 29.Rc3∓ *(29.Re1? Qxf3+ 30.Qxf3 Bxf3+ 31.Kxf3 d2-+)*]
28.Bxa5 Ne2+ 29.Kh2 Rxa5 30.N3h4 Nxc1



31.Qxc1 Qe5+
[31...Rxc6?

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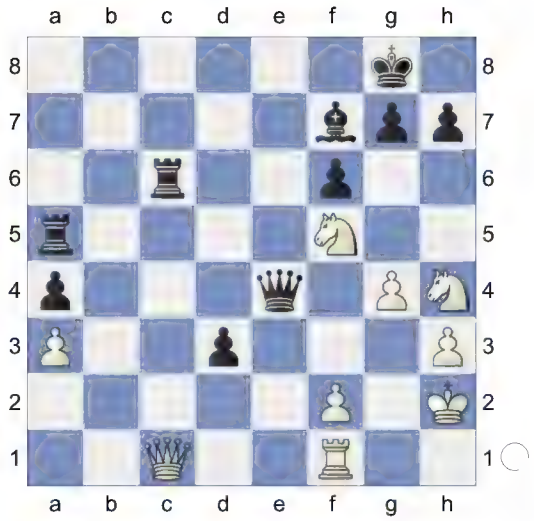
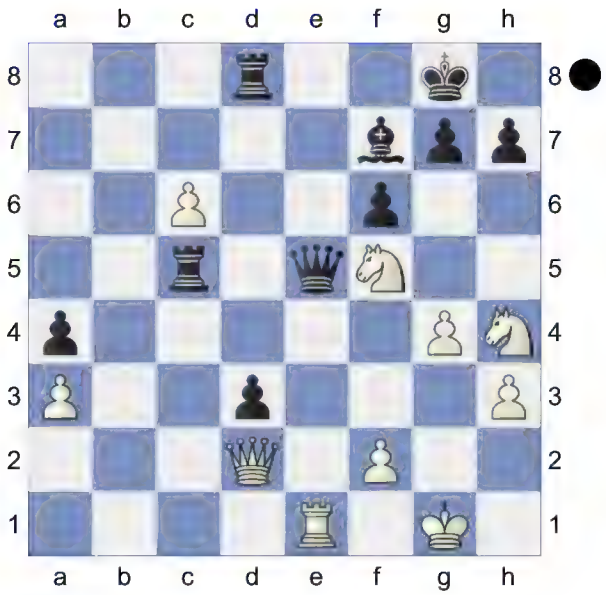


32.Qxc6! Qxc6 33.Ne7+ Kf8 34.Nxc6+-]
32.Kg1 Rc5 33.Qd2 Rd8 34.Re1? -11.22/22
[34.Qb4 -3.69/19]



34...Qxe1+!!

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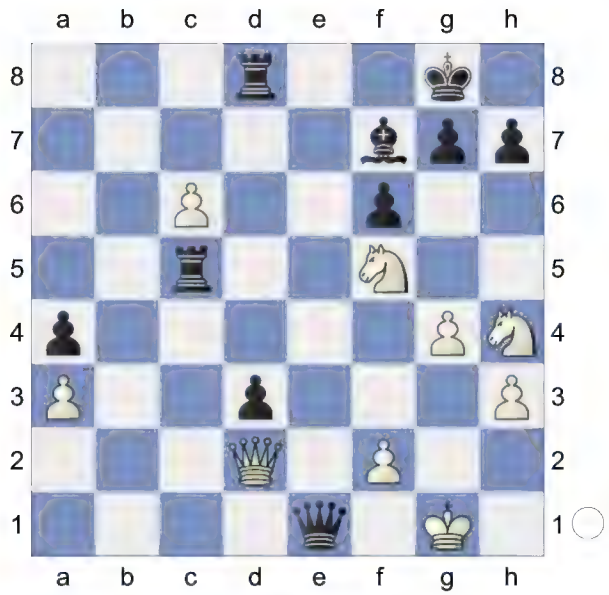

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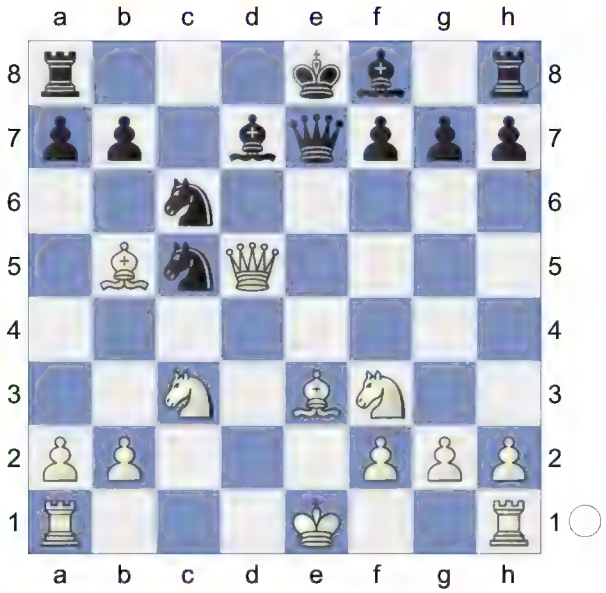
115 **D06**
□ **Portisch,Lajos**
■ **Bronstein,David Ionovich**
7/441 Monte Carlo 1969
[Kitty Kat]

D06: Queen's Gambit: Symmetrical and Baltic Defences **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.e4N
[4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Qa4+ b5 7.Nxb5 Bd7 8.N1c3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Bxb5 10.Qd1 D 06/01-N,N]
[4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
4...Nxe4 5.dxc5 Nxc5

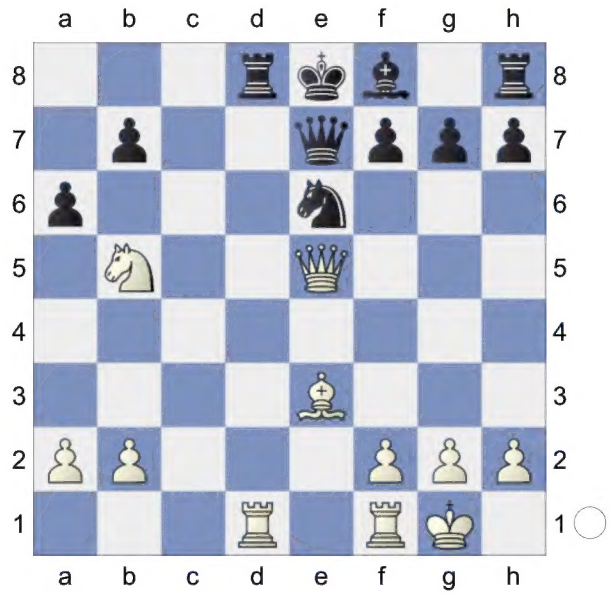
(Diagram)

6.Nf3 e6 7.Nc3 exd5 8.Qxd5
White is better. **8...Qe7+** 0.98/20
[8...Be7± 0.65/18]
9.Be3± Nc6 1.41/20
[Black should try 9...a6 0.96/20]
10.Bb5 &Bianco is more active. **10...Bd7**

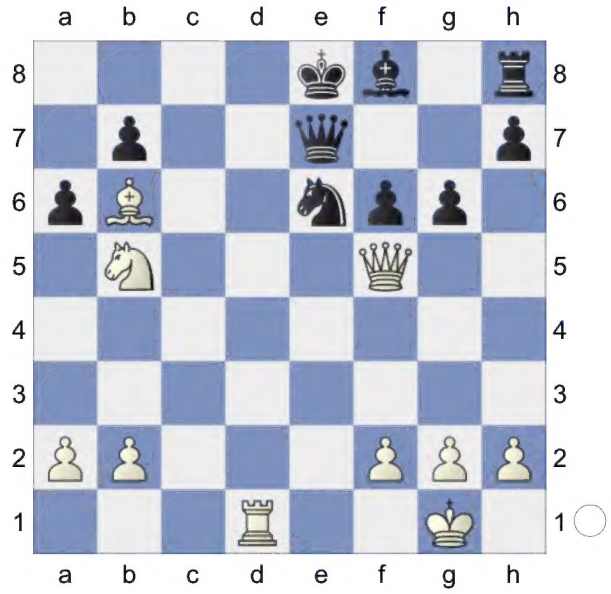


11.0-0↑ Black must now prevent Bxc5. Keeping Black busy. **11...Ne6** 1.87/19
[11...0-0-0± 1.36/19]
12.Ne5+- Strongly threatening Rfd1.
12...Nxe5 13.Qxe5 Hoping for Rfd1.
13...Bxb5 14.Nxb5 a6 2.71/24
[⌓14...f6 1.69/22 15.Qe4 a6]

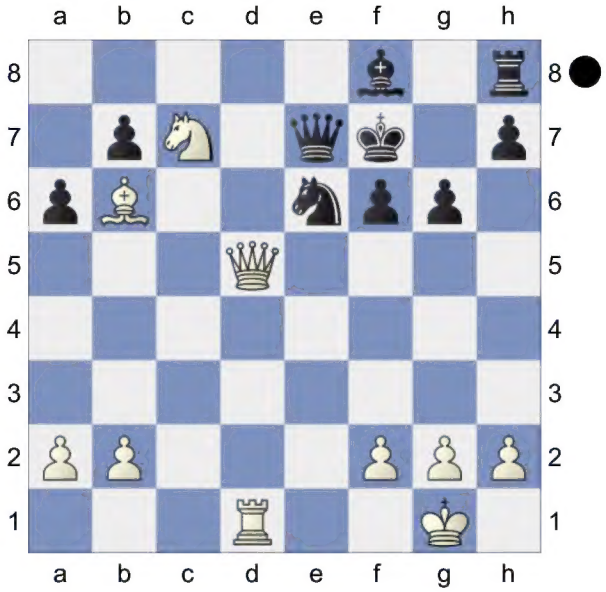
15.Rad1 Threatens to win with Nd6+.
15...Rd8 4.77/25
[15...f6 2.48/24 16.Qf5 *(16.Nd6+ Qxd6 17.Qh5+ g6±)* 16...g6 17.Nd6+ Qxd6 18.Qxf6 *(18.Rxd6 gxf5 19.Rxe6+ Kf7±)* 18...Bg7]



Against Nd6+ **16.Bb6!** White is clearly winning. **16...Rxd1**
[16...f6 17.Qh5+]
17.Rxd1 Threatening mate with Qb8+.
17...f6 **18.Qf5** And now Nd6+ would win. **18...g6**



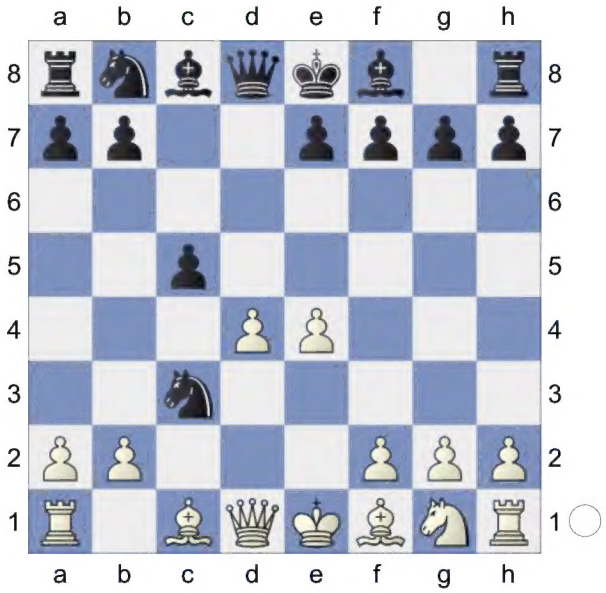
19.Nc7+! Kf7 20.Qd5



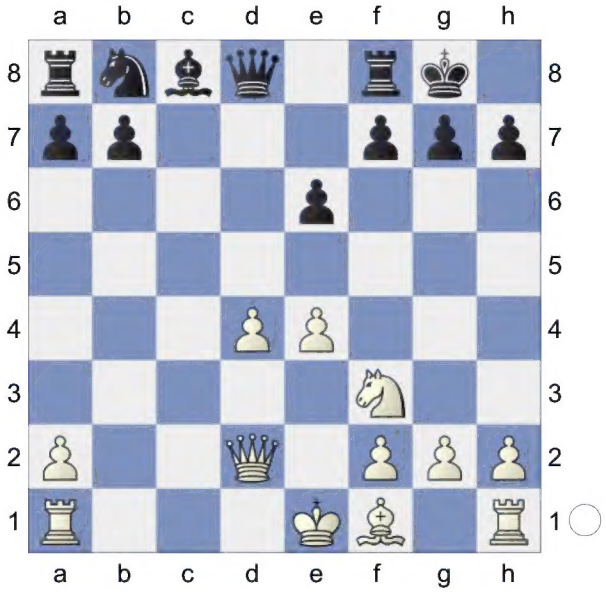
White took control after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.38
1-0

116 **D41**
□ **Agdestein,Simen**
■ **Tal,Mihail**
40/737 Naestved 1985
[Kitty Kat]

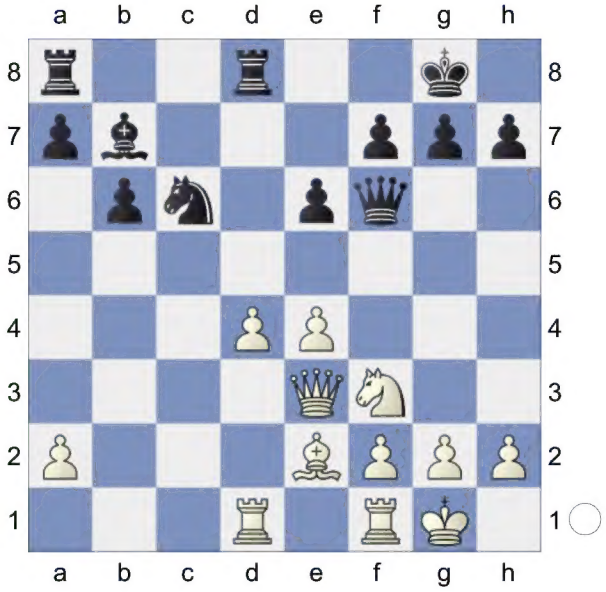
D41: Queen's Gambit Declined: Semi-Tarrasch with 5 cxd5 **1.d4 d5 2.c4 c5**
[2...Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bf4 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.0-0 Bb4 10.Qd3 Nbd7 11.a3 Ba5 12.Rfd1 Nh5 13.Be3 f5 14.h3 fxe4 15.Nxe4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Nhf6 17.Nd6+ 9.♕d2 h6 10.♗e3 Nbd7_6903 (2001)-Farouz,P (1753) corr 2011 CBM 104 theory [Dragan Solak] 1-0]
3.cxd5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nxd5 5.e4N
[5.Nf3 Nxc3 6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e5 8.e3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 e4 11.Ne5 0-0 12.Bc4 Nd7 13.Nxd7 Qxd7 14.0-0 b6 15.Rfc1 Bb7 16.Qb4 Rfc8 17.h3 Rc7 18.Rc3 Rac8 19.Rac1 g6 Chapter-Games Game 9 (42)]
5...Nxc3



6.bxc3 cxd4 7.cxd4 e6 8.Nf3 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 0-0



11.Be2 b6 12.0-0 Bb7 13.Qf4 Qf6 14.Qe3 Nc6 15.Rad1 The position is equal. **15...Rfd8**



16.Rd2 Rdc8 17.Rfd1 Nb4 18.Ne1 0.32/18
[White should play 18.a3± 0.73/19 Na6 19.Ne5]
18...h6 19.f4 0.03/18
[19.h3± 0.46/18 feels stronger.]
19...Rc7 20.a3 Nc6

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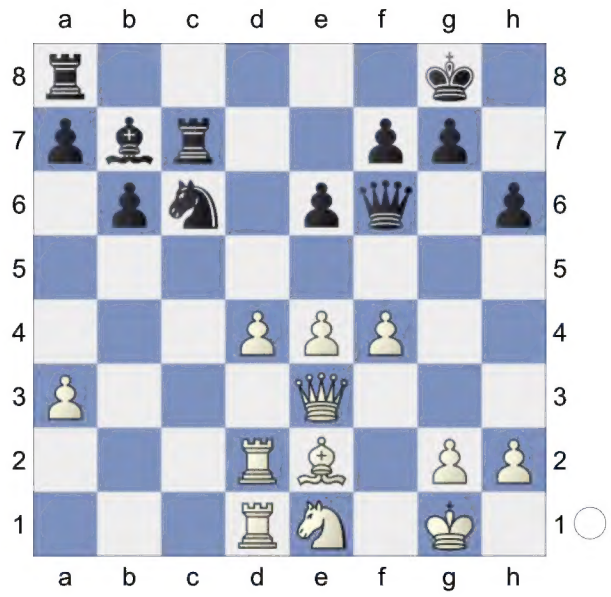
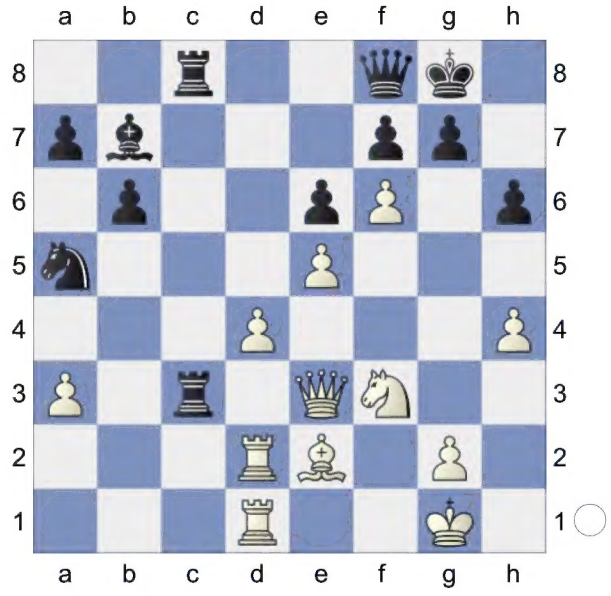
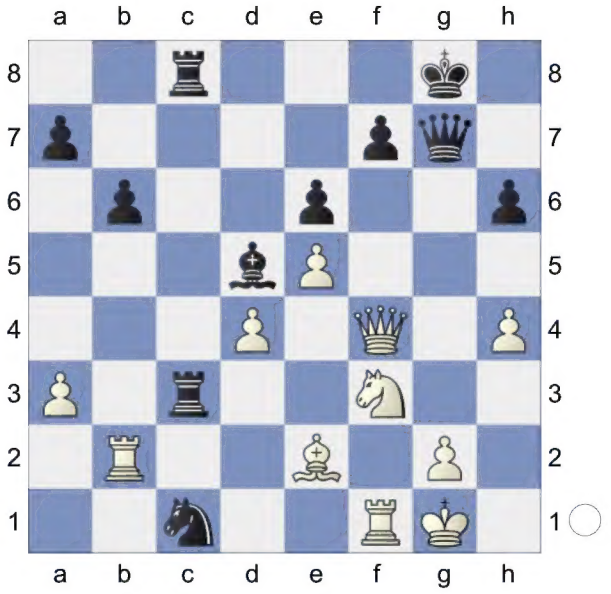


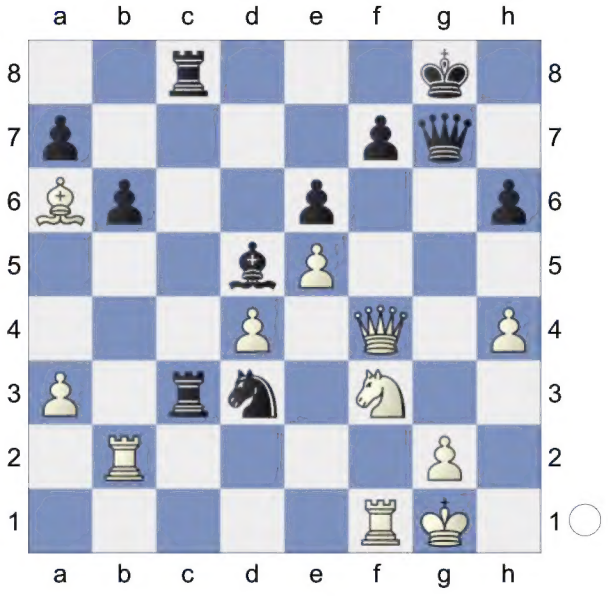
21.Nf3 -0.10/19
[⌓21.d5 0.25/20 exd5 22.Rxd5]
21...Rac8 0.33/21
[21...Na5= -0.10/19 is more appropriate.]
22.e5 Qe7 23.f5 Na5 24.f6 Qf8 25.h4 Rc3



26.Qf4 -0.46/19
[26.Rd3= -0.01/22 Nc4 27.Qf4 Nxa3 28.Nh2]
26...Nb3!∓ 27.Rb2 Bd5 0.27/18
[27...Qxa3∓ -0.67/19 28.fxg7 Kxg7]
28.fxg7 -0.70/20
[28.a4= 0.27/18]
28...Qxg7 29.Rf1 Nc1

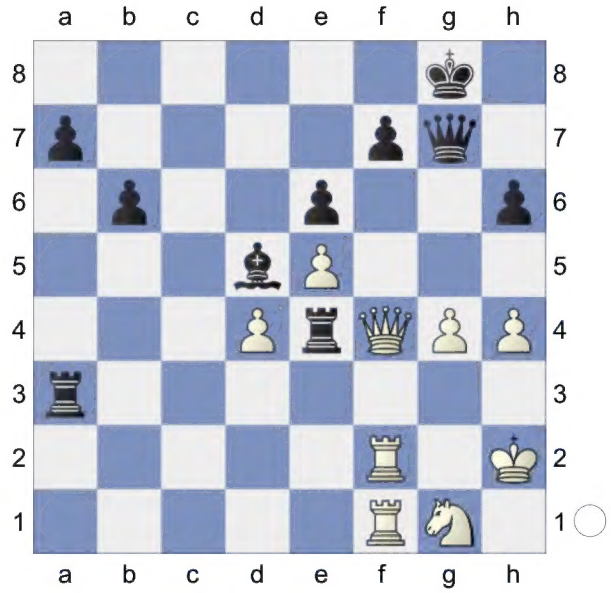


Hoping for ...Rc2. **30.Ba6 Nd3**
[Don't play 30...Rc2?! 31.Rxc2 *(31.Rf2 Rxb2 32.Rxb2 Rc3∓)* 31...Rxc2 32.Rf2=]

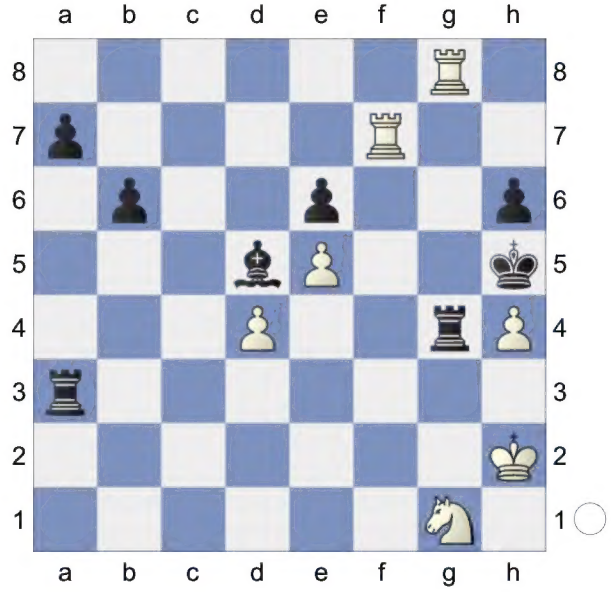


31.Bxd3 Rxd3 32.Rbf2 -1.56/22
[⌓32.a4 -0.98/21]
32...Rxa3∓ 33.Kh2 Rcc3 -0.86/22
[33...a5-+ -1.71/21 White must now prevent ...b5. 34.Rb1 Rc6]
34.g4? -4.13/24 Now White is beyond

hope.
[34.Ne1∓ -0.86/22 is more resistant.]
34...Re3 35.Ng1? -7.43/23
[35.g5 -3.32/19 h5 36.g6 Bxf3 37.gxf7+ Kf8 38.Rxf3 Rxf3 39.Rxf3 Ra2+ 40.Rf2 Rxf2+ 41.Qxf2]
35...Re4-+



Black is clearly winning. **36.Qxf7+ Qxf7 37.Rxf7 Rxg4 38.Rf8+ Kh7 39.R1f7+ Kg6 40.Rg8+ Kh5**



(→ ...Ra2+) **41.Rxg4 Kxg4 42.Rf2 b5**

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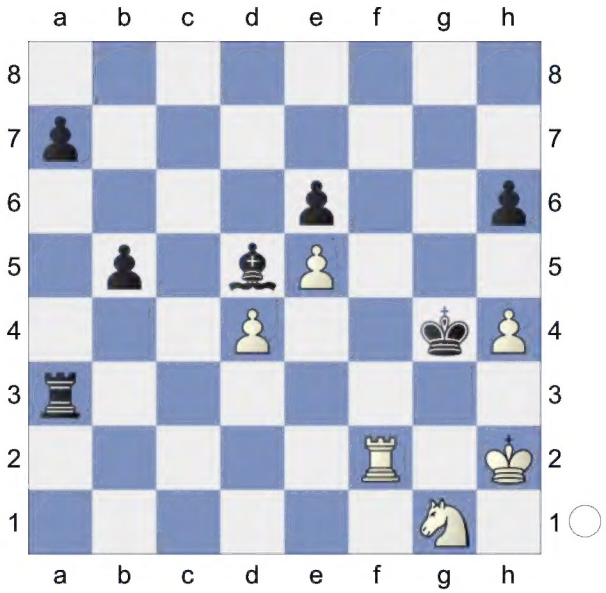

Weighted Error Value: White=0.70/ Black=0.24 (precise) . An unexpected result.
½-½